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PAGE TWO

R.A.F.
BOMBS
GERMAN
NAVY

London, To-day.

The Royal Air Force has bombed the German Fleet.

The planes roared over the fleet as it lay at anchor in the roads of Wilhelmshaven Harbour and it is reported that they scored hits on a number of warships.

The entrance to Kiel Canal was also bombed. — Reuter.

OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE

A successful attack was carried out yesterday afternoon by units of the Royal Air Force on vessels of the German Fleet at Wilhelmshaven and at Brunsbuttel, at the entrance to Kiel Harbour, states a communique issued by the Ministry of Information.

Several direct hits with heavy bombs were registered on a German battleship in Scharling Roads, off Wilhelmshaven, which resulted in severe damage.

At Brunsbuttel, an attack was carried out on a battleship lying alongside the Mole, causing heavy damage.

R.A.F. CASUALTIES

During the operation, which was carried out in very unfavourable weather conditions, the British aircraft encountered an air attack and anti-aircraft fire, resulting in some casualties. — Reuter.

GERMAN CLAIM

(From Our Own Correspondent)
(By Telegraph. Telegraphic Communication Ordinance, 1894. Received 10.07 a.m.)

Berlin, admitting the British raid on naval vessels, without disclosing the extent of the damage, claims that five of twelve British bombers participating in attacks at Duxhaven and Wilhelmshaven were shot down by fighters or anti-aircraft fire. — Reuter.

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CAVALRY PURSUES ROUTED GERMANS ACROSS FRONTIER

(From Our Own Correspondent)

(By Telegraph. Telegraphic Communications Ordinance, 1894. Received, September 5, 10.18 a.m.)

BATTLEFRONT REPORTS are inevitably meagre, but indications are that sharp fighting is taking place along the Franco-German frontier, where issue has been joined, as well as in Poland.

Unofficial reports state that the French forces have smashed through the German defences on the Saar front for a distance of two miles, but no official confirmation is yet forthcoming.

Warsaw claims success for a sharp counter-attack and says that Polish cavalry crossed the German frontier in the vicinity of Kowalewo yesterday, driving forward in pursuit of routed German troops.

In the meantime, air raids continue. There are now 24 German aviator prisoners in an internment camp in Warsaw's suburbs, including ten who are injured. All were shot down during raids on Sunday. — Our Own Correspondent.

FRENCH RESERVISTS CALLED UP

(From Our Own Correspondent)
(Telegraphic Communication Ordinance, 1894. Received 7.35 a.m.)

Shanghai, To-day. French reservists withdrew their "cartes d'appel" from the French Consulate General here on Sunday and passed their medical examination yesterday.

It is believed that a large number will shortly leave for Indo-China. — Reuter.

HEAVY AIR RAID DEATHROLL

(From Our Own Correspondent)
(Telegraphic Communication Ordinance Received 12.10 a.m.)

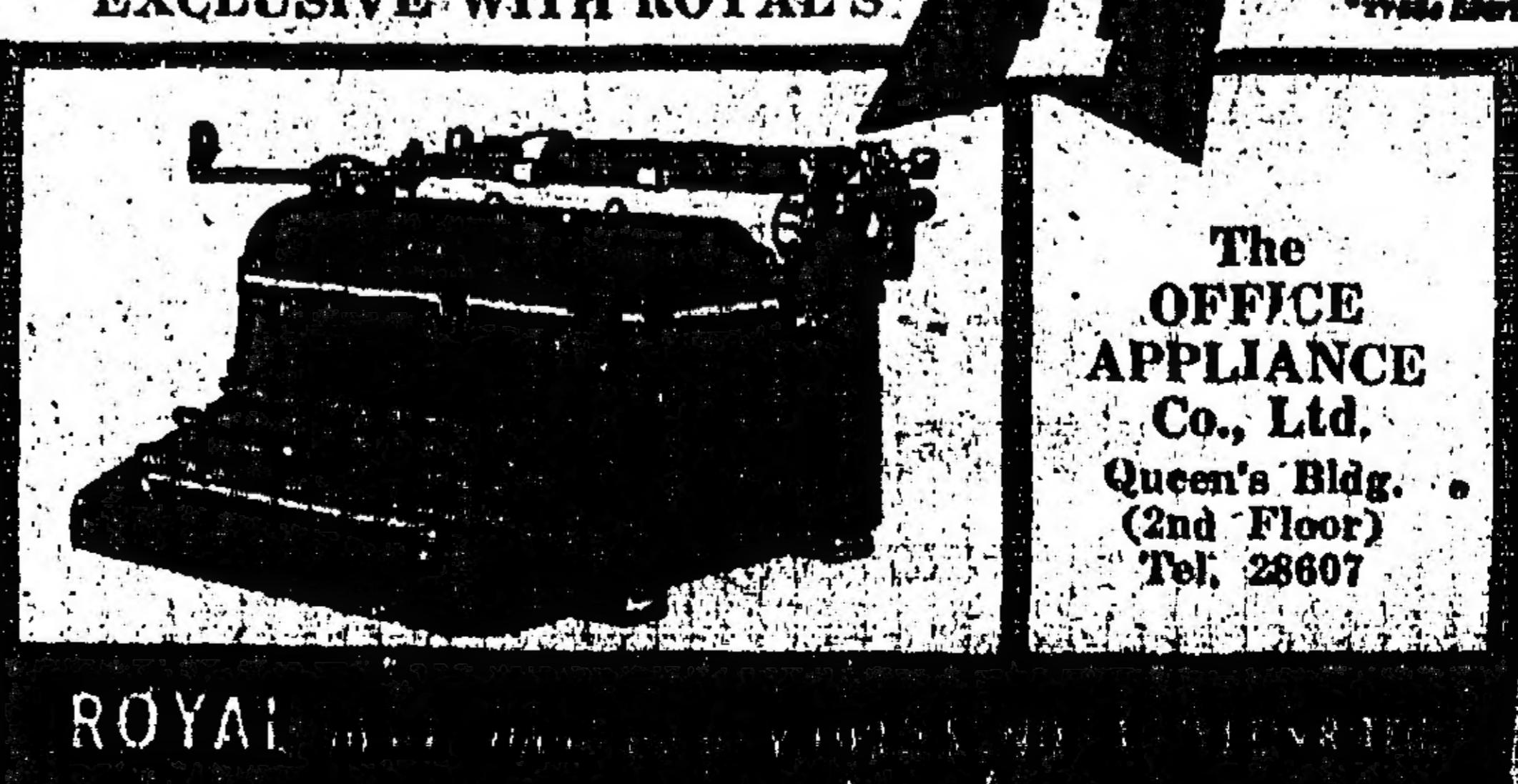
Shanghai, To-day. A Paris despatch says that 300 were killed and 500 injured yesterday when German bombers raided Poznan and Bydgoszcz and completely destroyed Chielu, a village of 200 inhabitants, where 13 bombs were dropped in the fields, killing cattle. — Our Own Correspondent.



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(From Our Own Correspondent)

BRITISH R.A.F. BOMBERS RAIDED GERMANY ON SUNDAY AND DROPPED THOUSANDS OF LEAFLETS INTENDED FOR THE GERMAN PEOPLE, ACCORDING TO FRONTIER REPORTS REACHING AMSTERDAM.

Entitled "Advice from Great Britain to Germany," the leaflets say that deliberately and coolly the German Government imposed war on Britain, although she knew the consequences which would plunge the world into greater misfortune than in 1914.

Hitler assured the world of his pacific intentions, which were as false as his words last September—"We do not have any other territorial claim in Europe."

Never had any government sent its people to war for such a futile object. The present war was completely unnecessary.

German land and right was not threatened. Nobody hindered the re-occupation of the Rhineland or the Sudetenland Anschluss. Neither Britain nor any other country had tried to limit Germany, provided the independence of non-German nations was not threatened.

Germany's claims could have been satisfied if they were just.

President Roosevelt offered peace with honour.

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"Instead, your Government condemns you to massacre, to hardship and to a war which you cannot hope to win. During long years, the truth has been hidden from you and the German nation shut up as in a concentration camp.

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"You are on the verge of bankruptcy. The Allies dispose of innumerable reserves of armaments, food and a resolution too strong to be smashed by blows and can fight ruthlessly until your total exhaustion.

RIGHT TO PEACE

"You have the right to ask for peace now or at any time.

"We hope for peace and are prepared to conclude a peace with any German Government that is sincerely pacific.

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE BERLIN RADIO ADMITS THAT R.A.F. PLANES SUCCEEDED IN DROPPING LEAFLETS OVER GERMANY ON SUNDAY NIGHT.—REUTER.

NOT CHALLENGED

London, To-day. The Ministry of Information announce that on the night of September 3 and 4 aircraft of the Royal Air Force carried out extensive reconnaissance over northern and western Germany.

They were not engaged by enemy aircraft.

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GERMANS IN KENYA AND TANGANYIKA

London, To-day. In Tanganyika, German male adults are being interned. The process of internment is proceeding smoothly. There is no hint of resistance on the part of Germans nor does there appear to be the will to resist.—Reuter.

STOCK EXCHANGE CLOSURE

London, To-day. THE COMMITTEE OF THE LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE DECIDED YESTERDAY THAT THE EXCHANGE SHALL REMAIN CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

Settlement of accounts has been postponed.

The Committee has fixed minimum prices for certain securities, and all bargains must be cash.

No new time bargains will be allowed except for existing contracts.—Reuter.

MINIMUM PRICES

London, To-day. It is officially announced that pending the re-opening of the Stock Exchange, minimum prices are to continue in force.

All bargains are to be for cash and no new option trading is permitted.—Reuter.

MAIN LONDON EVACUATION COMPLETED

London, To-day. The evacuation of children, expectant mothers and blind people from London was completed successfully last night without a single casualty.—Reuter.

KING LEOPOLD TAKES COMMAND

London, To-day. King Leopold of the Belgians, who has assumed command of his army, broadcast to the nation in Brussels last night.—Reuter.

OFF THE RECORD



Here's Luck

Two BEER

STREAMLINED FIGURES

For That Waistline

By DONALD LOOMIS

STEADIED Jean Chatburn while she posed for this picture, because the camera required her to hold perfectly still, but when you do the exercises you will not need support.

With hands clasped over the head, touch the left knee to the right elbow, while standing on the right foot. Then reverse the procedure and touch the right knee to the left elbow while standing on the left foot. Try to stand as erect as possible.

This exercise is designed to slim down the waistline, but it will also tend to reduce hips and thighs.

Women write to me to ask if they can do anything to streamline their figures after they have passed the age of 30. Of course, you can! It all depends on you and how much in earnest you are about taking off the pounds and correcting figure faults.

If you haven't taken stock of yourself lately, look in the mirror now, get on the scales and take your measurements.

If you are anywhere from 25 to 35 years old—even a few years older—and have medium weight bones, you can figure out your correct measurements from this average: I give you measurements for a woman 5 feet 1 inch and for a woman 5 feet 7 inches: Height 5 ft. 1 in. 5 ft. 7 in. Weight 107 pounds 132 pounds Neck 12½ inches 14½ inches Bust 34 inches 38 inches Waist 26 inches 29 inches Hips 34 inches 39 inches Thigh 20½ inches 24 inches Calf 13 inches 14½ inches Up. arm 10 inches 11 inches Wrist 5½ inches 6½ inches Ankle 8 inches 9 inches

If you are too large or too heavy for your correct measurements, don't try to overcome the defects all in one week; go at it reasonably and regularly. Eat with discretion. Cut out second helpings. Make a luncheon of leafy vegetable salad with a mineral oil dressing. Omit desserts.

Here is an exercise for stirring up circulation:

Arms at sides, feet together, stand in correct posture. Spring lightly—and I mean lightly—to a stride position with knees bent—not too much, touching arms over the head at the same time. Then leap lightly back to starting position.

If you have been good at sports at school, take up tennis or golf or swimming again; but remember not to do too much the first few days.

Maureen O'Sullivan has a naturally good figure. Ever since she was a tiny girl she has gone in for outdoor sports. She loves to walk, too, so she keeps herself in trim this way and rarely needs to come in to me for a course of exercises.

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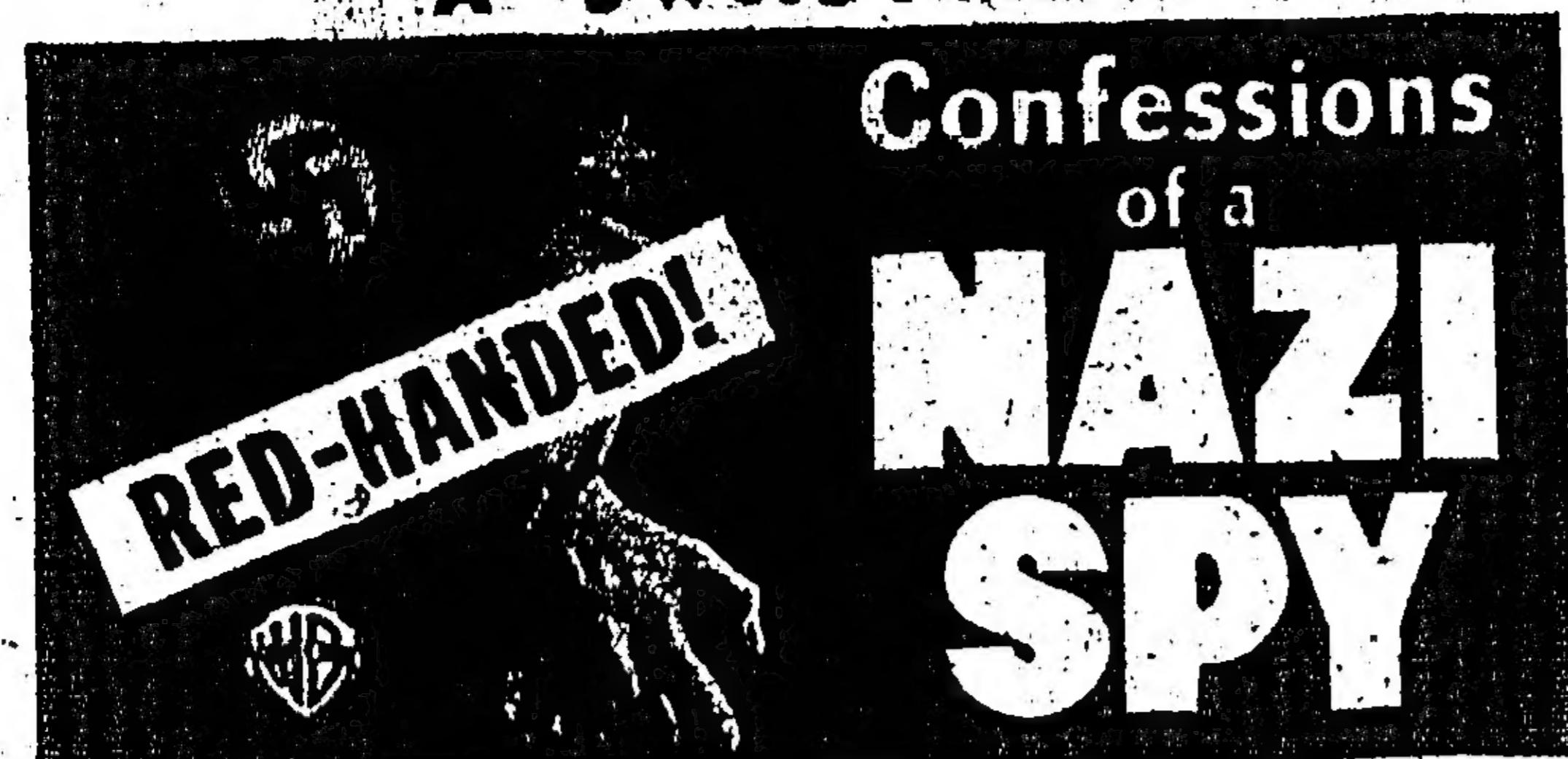
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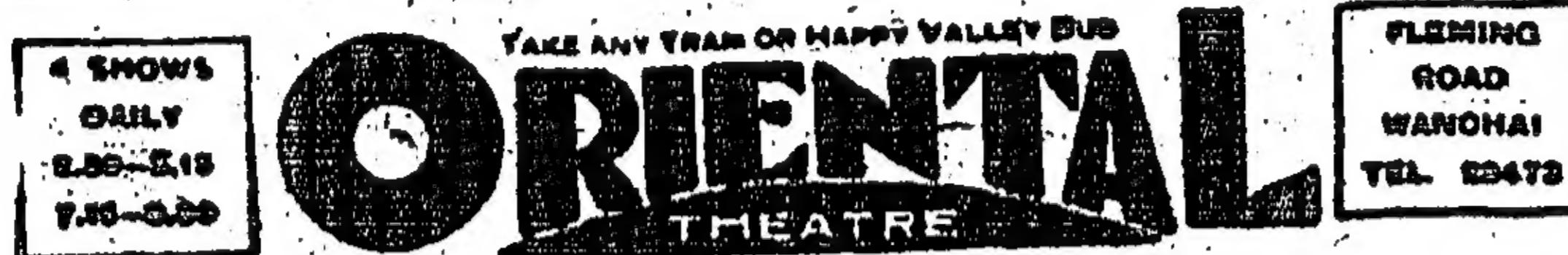


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1. Correspondence posted on or before the date of this notice will be treated as follows:

(a) Any "express", "registered", or "insured" postal packet will be censored as soon as possible, and sent on if "passed".

(b) All other postal packets already posted will be detained until sufficient censors are available to examine them, and enquiries about their disposal will not be entertained.

2. Correspondence posted after the date of this notice will be treated as follows:

(a) Small packets, Printed Papers, Samples, Blind Literature, Insured Boxes, and Parcels will be stopped altogether, unless posted under special permit. (see Paragraph 3).

(b) Letters in the ordinary sense of the term, post cards and commercial papers, if posted in the ordinary way, will not necessarily be stopped, but they will be subject to indefinite delay.

3. Permits for the despatch of small Packets, Printed Papers, Samples, Blind Literature, and Parcels will be issued by the Censor to persons, or firms, whose normal business necessitates the despatch of such packets, if and when the Censor is satisfied with the guarantees given, application for permits should be addressed to:

The Censor,
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Hong Kong.

and should state precisely for what kind of business the permit is desired (e.g. News Agency).

Until a permit has been obtained, it is useless to post any packet of the kind in question, or to send by letter post any articles which would normally be included in such packets, e.g. a book, newspaper, or a pamphlet will be treated as "printed matter" and

In reference to reports that a British steamer struck a mine last night in the vicinity of Swatow, the Naval authorities to-day issued the following statement: "The British s.s. Anking made a routine report to the naval authorities at 9 a.m. to-day (Tuesday), thereby indicating that all was well."

SUDDEN TYPHOID EPIDEMIC

Sixteen typhoid cases have been reported to the Medical Department in the last three days. There were also six cholera victims; one diphtheria, two meningitis, and 44 tuberculosis.

stopped, even if sent by letter post.

RULES FOR THE GUIDANCE OF PERSONS CORRESPONDING WITH PLACES ABROAD.

In order to make the censorship of postal packets, which is rendered necessary in the present emergency, as effective and economical as possible, the public is earnestly invited to conform to the following rules in regard to correspondence with places abroad:

(1) The name and address of the sender should be stated on the envelope.

(2) Private correspondence should be conducted in English if possible; the language should be plain, and the letters as clearly written and as brief as possible.

(3) Business correspondence should be conducted, if possible, in English, French or Chinese.

(4) If English is not employed, the name of the language used should be endorsed on the envelope.

(5) The envelope should contain no lining paper, or empty sheets.

(6) Firms writing abroad should not use stationery which shows a picture of their works. If employed on munitions, or other Government works, the fact should not be stated on the stationery employed for correspondence abroad.

(7) Firms and individuals should refuse to act as intermediaries or agents for the receipt and transmission of postal correspondence on behalf of persons in places abroad.

Failure to comply with these rules may lead to the delay or return of the correspondence.

By Order.

C. G. SOLLIS.
Censor.
Hong Kong, 5th Sept., 1939.



KING'S MESSAGES TO FIGHTING FORCES

London, To-day.

THE KING HAS SENT messages to the Navy, Army and Air Force.

TO THE NAVY

His telegram to Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, reads:—

"Once again the Royal Navy has assumed the protection of the British Empire on the seas of the world and I would like to assure you and the officers and men serving in the fleets of my conviction that, whatever the future has in store, their conduct and courage will bring added lustre to its long history."

THE ARMY

His telegram to Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, the Minister of War, reads:—

"The British Army has never been called upon to take the field for a cause more just than ours to-day. It never entered on a campaign on which the issue were graver or more vital to the future of our race and, indeed, all civilization."

"I know well that in the struggle which lies ahead every man of my armies will play his part with gallantry and devotion."

AND THE AIR FORCE

The King's message to Sir Kingsley Wood, the Air Minister, reads:—

"In the campaign we are compelled to undertake, you will have to assume responsibilities far greater than those which your service had to shoulder in the last war."

"One of the gravest will be the safeguarding of these islands from the menace of the air."

"I can assure all ranks of the Royal Air Force of my supreme confidence in their skill, courage and ability to meet whatever calls may be made upon them."—Reuter.

AMERICAN FEELING ON BRITAIN'S SIDE

New York, To-day.

While newspapers throughout the country continue to emphasize the hope of the United States to stay out of war, the feeling appears to be growing that the arms embargo in the Neutrality Act must be repealed.

The "Washington Evening Star" writes:

"There is little danger of going to war so long as the democratic powers have the superior fighting strength. Our best insurance is to do what we can, short of going to war ourselves, to assure that superiority."

The "Nashville Tennessean" writes:

"The need for the removal of the ban on war shipments to our friends has long been recognised. The restoration of the cash and carry provision in the old law becomes more necessary."—Reuter.

THE CASE OF COL. SPEAR

Peking, To-day.

The Military Attaché to Tokyo, Major-General Pigott, who is here on a visit, will take the opportunity to discuss the detention of Col. Spear with Japanese military headquarters.

—Reuter.

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ALLIED LEADERS' GREETINGS

London, To-day. President Moscicki of Poland has telegraphed to His Majesty the King as follows:—

"At this grave hour, when Britain has decided to stand with Poland in the defence of the sacred principles of justice and liberty, may I express to your Majesty the feelings of friendship and loyalty of the whole Polish people towards the great British nation."

The King replied, reciprocating the sentiments, and saying:—

"I and my people are proud to stand beside you in your just and valiant resistance to shameless aggression, and I have unshaken confidence that right will prevail."

MESSAGE TO FRANCE

The King also telegraphed President Lebrun of France, as follows:—

"At this moment in the destiny of our two people, when they are again standing shoulder to shoulder to help a victim of shameless aggression, I greet you and, in your name, the whole French nation."

"We can both be confident in the justice of our cause and convinced that our joint efforts and sacrifice will triumph, as they triumphed a quarter a century ago, over the forces of destruction."—Reuter.

CHANGES IN EIRE

London, To-day. Ministerial changes announced by the Government of Eire include:—

Sean Lemans, Minister of Industry and Commerce, with the responsibility of supplies and the co-ordination of economic effort; and

Frank Aitken, Minister of Defence, with responsibility for the co-ordination of civil and military defensive measures.—Reuter.

FIGHTING INVASION

Warsaw, To-day. "At a time when Poland is fighting against invasion, we have the sympathy of the whole civilised world," said Colonel Beck, Minister of Foreign Affairs, broadcasting yesterday to the Polish nation.

"Nobody honestly weighing up the facts can have any doubt as to who is the aggressor and what is the motive guiding the two countries at war."—Reuter.

PAN-AMERICAN PLANS

London, To-day. Pan-American Airways have called the trans-Atlantic service to Southampton.

Pan-American planes, however, will continue to fly to Lisbon and Roynes (Eire).—Reuter.

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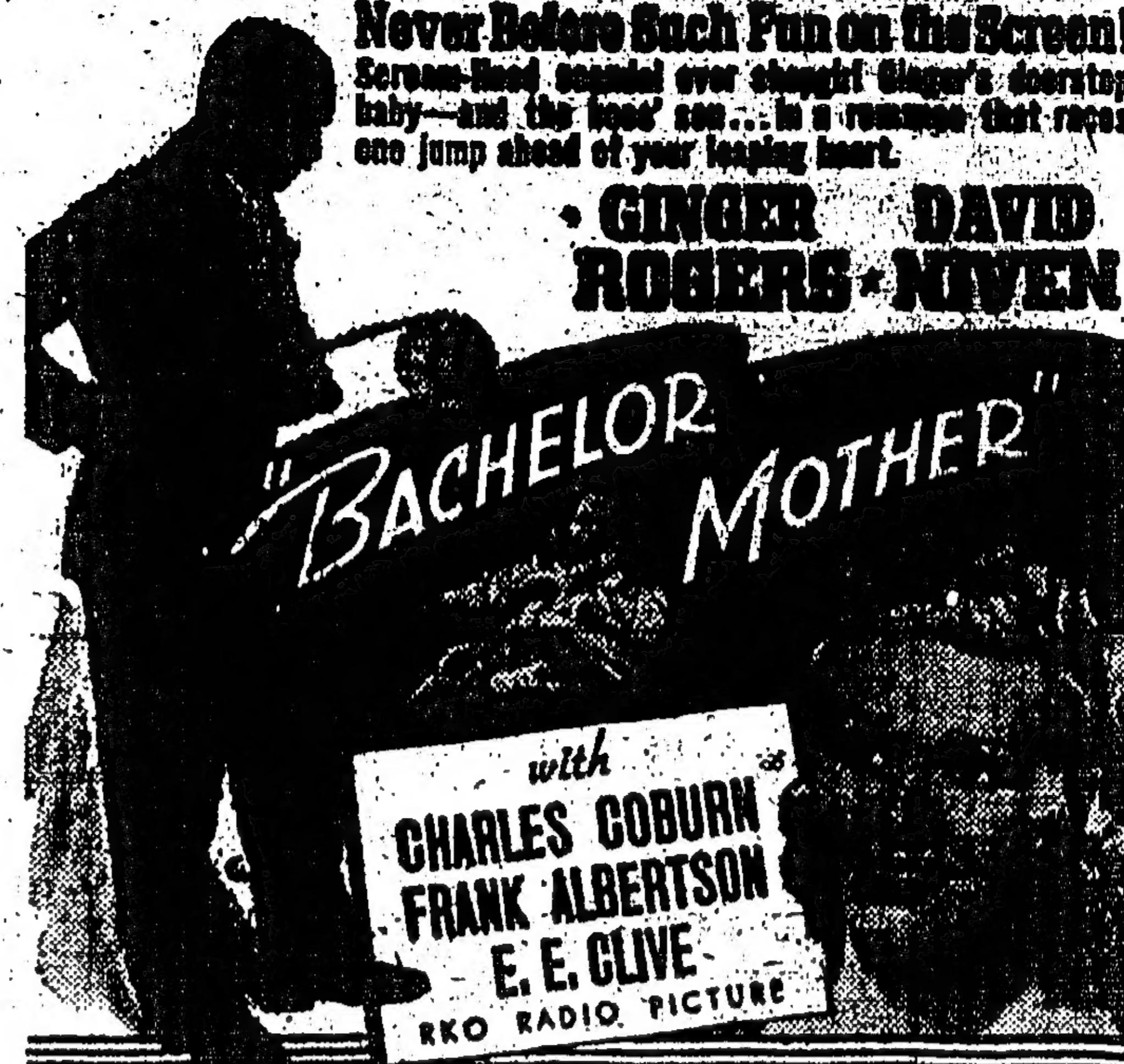
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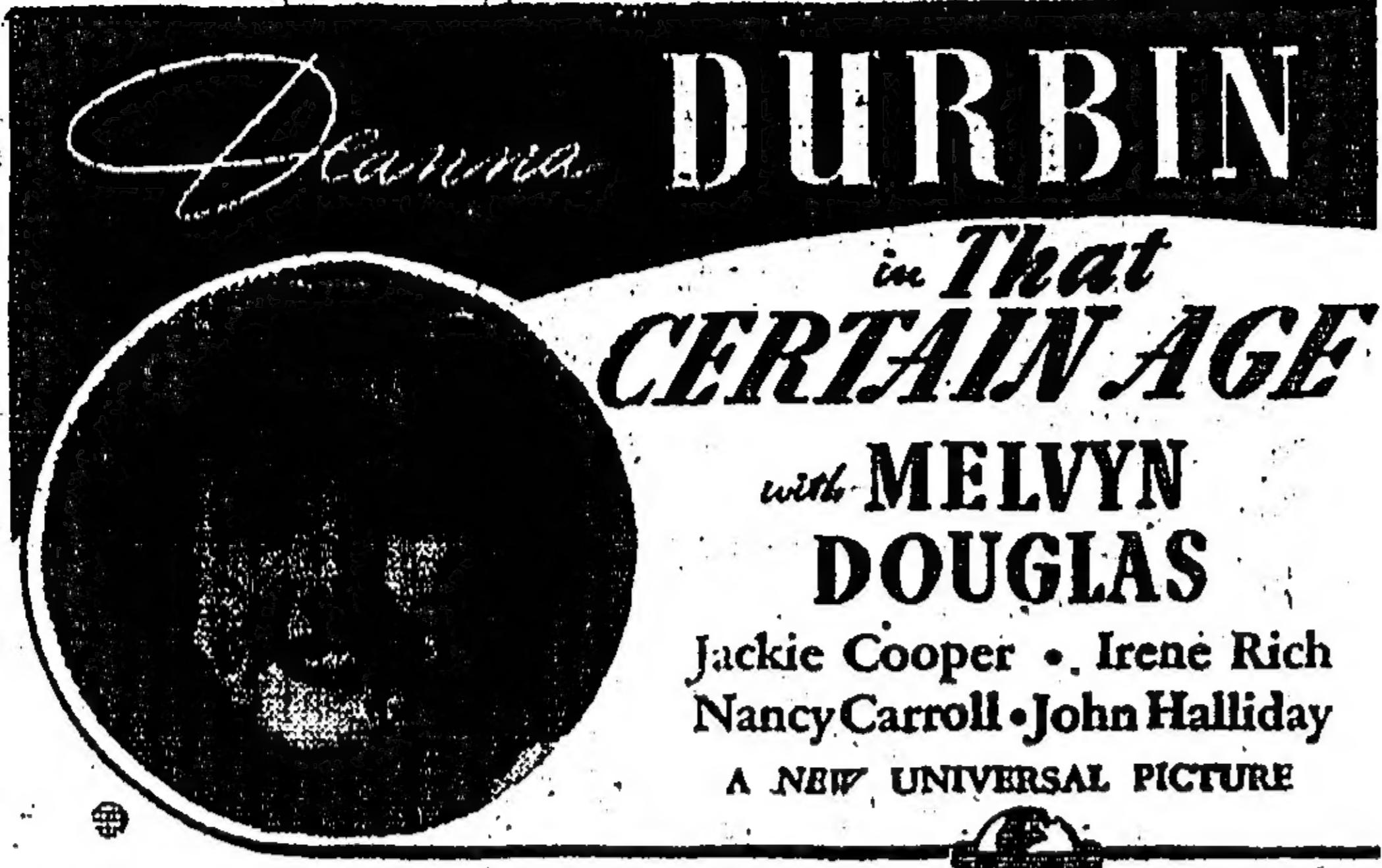
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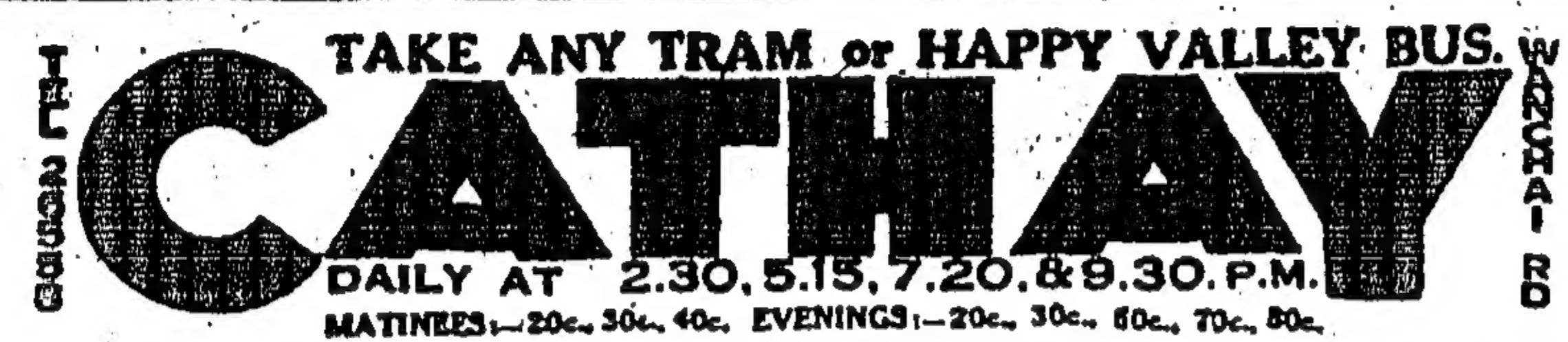
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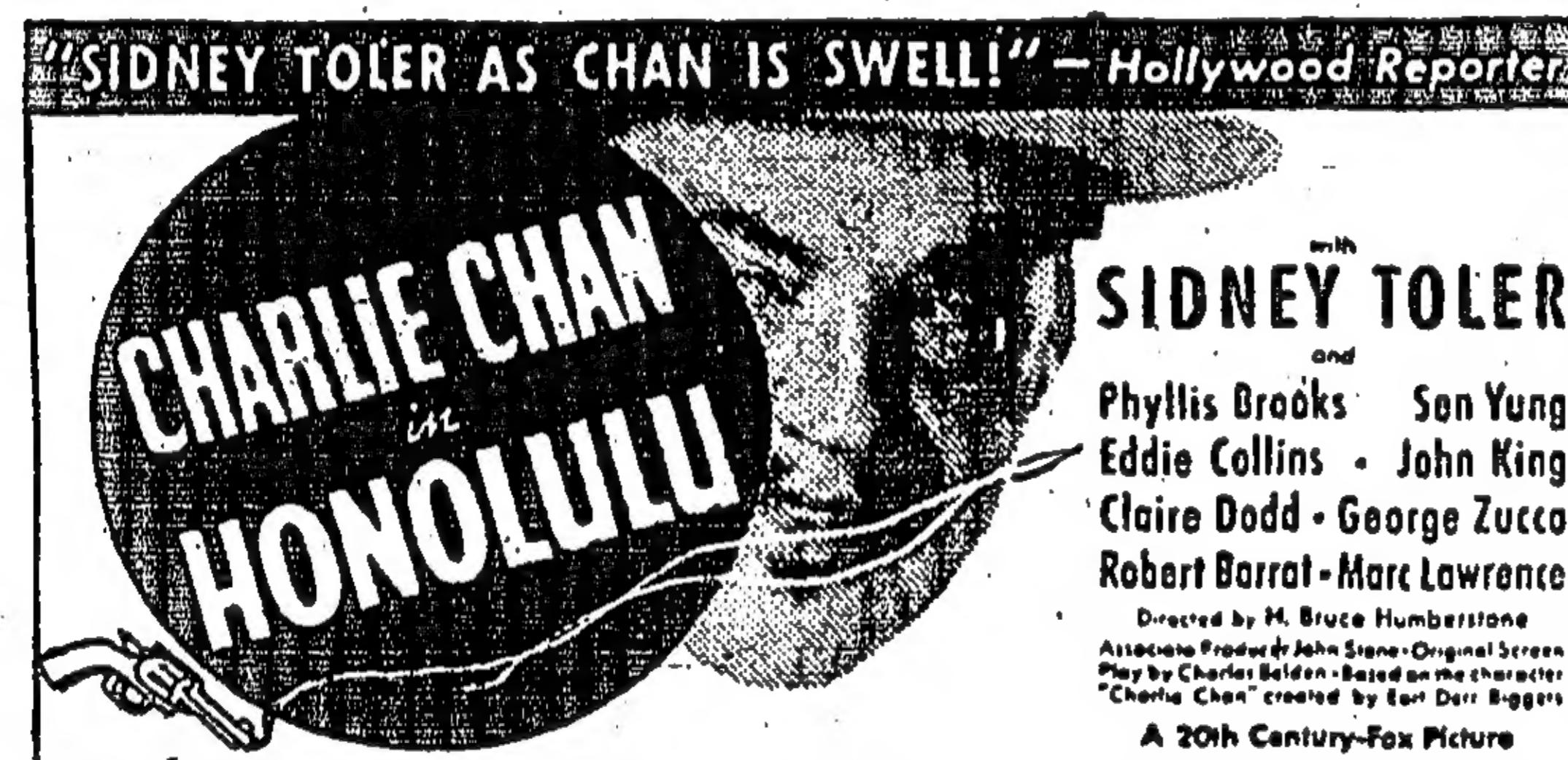


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PLANES OVER HOLLAND

Paris, To-day.

A Dutch communiqué states that during the night the planes of a foreign power were signalled over Holland.

As they flew above the clouds, it was impossible to establish their nationality or to fire on them.

The Dutch Government will invite both parties in the war to open an enquiry in order to determine whether their machines were guilty of this violation.

— Reuter.

THE TOTAL WAR

THE PREMIER BROADCASTS TO GERMAN PEOPLE

London, To-day.

THE PREMIER, Mr. Chamberlain, broadcasting to the German people in their own language said: "Your country and mine are now at war. Your country had bombed and invaded free and independent Poland which this country is bound to defend.

"Because your troops were not withdrawn in response to the British note, war has followed."

After giving the facts with regard to Hitler's offer to Poland, Mr. Chamberlain asked: "Why did we feel it necessary to defend an eastern power when our interests lie in the west? I regret to say that nobody in this country trusts your leader's word.

"He gave his word that he would respect the Locarno Treaty—he broke it. He declared that he would not incorporate the Czechs in the Reich—he did so. He gave his word after Munich that he had no further territorial designs on Europe—he broke it. He gave his word that he wanted no Polish provinces—he broke it. He has sworn for years that he was the mortal enemy of bolshevism—he is now their ally.

"Can you wonder that his word is not worth the paper on which it is written.

CYNICAL VOLTE FACE

"The German-Soviet Pact was a cynical volte face to shatter the peace front but the gamble failed and the Peace Front stands firm.

"Your leader is now sacrificing you to a still more monstrous gamble—a war to extricate himself from the impossible position into which he has led himself and you.

"We are not fighting against the German people but the tyrannous, foreworn regime which betrayed its own people and the whole of Western civilisation and all you, and we, hold dear."

Mr. Chamberlain concluded: "May God Defend the Right."

CONTROL OF PRICES

London, To-day.
The Ministry of Supply has taken over the control of supplies and the prices of timber, jute, rayon, yarns, paper, paper-making materials, and wool.—Reuter.

PARLIAMENT'S SITTING

London, To-day.
The National Registration Bill passed its second reading in the House of Commons to-day.
The money resolution was also agreed to.—Reuter.

SHIPS SUNK BY MINES IN BALTIC

London, To-day.

The first report of ships being lost by mines comes from Copenhagen.

A Greek merchantman, on the way to Antwerp from Leningrad, struck a mine and sank. There were no casualties.

An unknown Danish cutter struck a mine and foundered some distance west of the Vyl Lightship.—Reuter.

THE "KOSTI"

Copenhagen, To-day.

The Greek steamer Kosti has been sunk near Falsterbo, in the Baltic Sea.

It is believed that the vessel struck a mine while bound from Antwerp to Leningrad.—Reuter.

POLES TRY TO GET HOME

Shanghai, To-day.

Over 400 Polish nationals boarded the Empress of Japan yesterday trying to get home to join the resistance to Germany.

The Consul-General stated that they were leaving Shanghai on their own accord, as they had not been instructed by their Government.—Our Own Correspondent.

ATHENIA TORPEDO

Germany Seeks To Deny Responsibility

MINE SUGGESTION REPUDIATED BY ADMIRALTY

London, To-day.

BERLIN HAS DENIED that a Nazi submarine sank the "Athenia," and suggest a mine was responsible.

In London, the Admiralty says that no British-mines had been laid in the area of the disaster.

Mr. Winston Churchill was warmly cheered when he rose in the House of Commons this morning to make his first announcement as First Lord of the Admiralty since the Great War.

Mr. Churchill, after recounting the facts of the wanton torpedoing of the "Athenia" by a Nazi submarine, said: "It is certain that the act was committed without the slightest warning in circumstances which all nations, including the German, had stigmatised as inhuman.

"The Athenia was not an auxiliary cruiser."

CONVOY PLANS

Mr. Churchill said that convoy arrangements would speedily be put into operation, though it might naturally take some time.

He announced that on one shipping route the convoy system had come into force immediately following the declaration of war.—Reuter.

AMERICAN ATTITUDE

New York, To-day. Official circles do not expect the United States to make a formal protest to the German Government concerning the torpedoing of the Athenia, according to the Washington correspondent of the Dow Jones Agency.

The officials doubted whether the United States had ground for a protest, in view of the fact that the Athenia was of British registry.—Reuter.

GERMANS ON BOARD.

Glasgow, To-day. It is learned here that 34 persons on board the liner Athenia, torpedoed by a German submarine off the Hebrides, were of German nationality.

It is also understood that 75 per cent. of the passengers were women and children.—Reuter.

LANDING AT GALWAY.

London, To-day. The Ministry of Information announces that information has been received from the Government of Eire that 430 survivors of the Athenia are proceeding in the Norwegian ship Knute Nelson to Galway, where they are due to-day (Tuesday).—Reuter.

GERMAN OBLIGATIONS

London, To-day. It is pointed out that the naval agreement signed between Britain and Germany in 1937 brought Ger-

INTERMENT IN BRITAIN

London, To-day. All Germans and Austrians still in England have now been interned.

All aliens over 16 years of age are regarded as enemies.

German and Austrian women married to Englishmen have been ordered to report to the police.—Reuter.

MESSAGES OF LOYALTY

London, To-day. The latest messages of loyalty from Uganda and the colony of Granada have been sent to the King.—Reuter.

JAPAN'S POSITION CLEARER

Tokyo, To-day. Commenting on Japan's decision to remain neutral in the European conflict the "Japan Times" says: Japan will not view with indifference the pact between Berlin and Moscow. Should the pact extend, its influence to East Asia, Japan would be compelled to take full notice, if such an alliance, even in the most remote manner, proved encouragement for Moscow to attempt intrigues against Japan.

"If it prompted aggressive action against Japan, the world situation would be bound to undergo radical alteration."—Reuter.

NAZI PLANES DESTROY A VILLAGE

London, To-day. An official Polish Embassy statement says that Nazi planes yesterday afternoon destroyed a village near Tarnow with incendiary bombs.

The Havas agency reports that Warsaw was bombed at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Several fires were started.—Reuter.

SUCCESSFUL COUNTER-ATTACK

London, To-day. The Polish Embassy reports that the Polish army has counter-attacked against the Nazi invaders successfully.

The position, generally, is unchanged.

The small Polish garrison at Westerplatte is still holding out.—Reuter.

NEW CABINET MINISTERS

London, To-day. The appointments of Ministers not in the War Cabinet announced last night show the following changes:

Mr. W. S. Morrison remains Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, but also becomes Minister of Food;

Lord MacMillan, Minister of Information (a new ministry); and

Mr. Ronald Hibbert Cross, Minister of Economic Welfare (a new ministry).

Mr. Morrison will continue to assist the Minister for the Co-ordination of Defence and will answer for him in Commons.—Reuter.

Lord MacMillan, the head of the new Ministry of Information, was Assistant Director of Intelligence, Ministry of Information, in 1918. He has been a Lord of Appeal in Ordinary since 1930. His title is that of a Life Peer.

Mr. Ronald Hibbert Cross is a merchant banker and M.P. for Rosedale; and has been Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade since last year.

DR. BENES' TELEGRAM TO PREMIER

London, To-day. Dr. Edouard Benes, former President of Czecho-Slovakia, has sent a telegram to Mr. Neville Chamberlain.

Dr. Benes says: "Our country has been invaded and is occupied, and is suffering the inhuman terror and oppression of Nazism, but our forces, physical and moral, remain intact.

"We Czechs are also at war with the Nazis and will march with your people to final victory and the liberation of the Fatherland."—Reuter.

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SUDDEN NAZI ORDER TO ENVOYS

LONDON, TO-DAY. AT THE LAST MINUTE, THE NAZI AUTHORITIES REFUSED TO ALLOW THE BRITISH AMBASSADOR TO GERMANY, SIR NEVILLE HENDERSON, AND THE FRENCH AMBASSADOR, M. COULDONDRE, TO LEAVE GERMANY AND CROSS INTO BELGIUM, AND THE TWO ENVOYS, WITH THEIR STAFFS, ARE NOW PROCEEDING TO THE NETHERLANDS.

The German Ambassador to France, with the Nazi Embassy staff, has been held up on the French side of the Franco-Belgian frontier, and will not be allowed through until the French Ambassador to Germany arrives safely in Belgium.—Reuter.

CHARGE D'AFFAIRES LEAVES GRAVESEND

London, To-day. The Nazi charge d'affaires left Gravesend to-day for Rotterdam. He was among 120 Nazis leaving England to-day.—Reuter.

LEAVE TOGETHER

Brussels, To-day. The British and French Ambassadors to Berlin, Sir Neville Henderson and M. Coulondre, left Berlin at 9 a.m. yesterday for Holland.

According to the Belgian news agency, the German authorities at the last moment refused to allow them to travel via Belgium.—Reuter.

AMERICA ISSUES A WARNING

Washington, To-day. Officials admit that although America's determination to remain out of war is at present very strong, with thousands of Americans waiting to cross the Atlantic, if further torpedoings occur, a mood of "belligerent neutrality" will inevitably arise.—Reuter.

HEAVY NAZI SENTENCES FOR SABOTAGE

London, To-day. A decree issued by Field-Marshal Goering, the Nazi Air Minister, in Berlin yesterday announces heavy prison sentences for the sabotage of goods or equipment of national necessity.—Reuter.

By W. H. RINGS-KELL

MODERN AIR WARFARE

DECENT
ESPIONAGE

The air armaments race is therefore held up for some time. A speed of 120 to 150 meters per second is the marked characteristic of this stage of military aviation, in which the perfecting of armament and material will be the first duty of the technician.

The modern air weapon has therefore attained a certain degree of perfection. The danger of continual obsolescence is accordingly diminished. For war technique is not a changing fashion.

But herewith the provision for the serial construction of modern war machines appears to be assured. Air armaments are no longer the result of a pure hazard. Who stakes, wins. This is doubtless one of the most valuable lessons of the Spanish air war.

A lesson that may be criticised by the sceptic: "but—if the enemy invents

a better machine? If he thus achieves a long-term superiority?"

A long-term superiority? The Spanish war has shown that military secrets in so far as the air force is concerned are not long secrets. Whereas the rate at which improvements, innovations, inventions etc. take place is considerably slower, that of the adjustment of the enemy air fleets in Spain has been speeded up, from the point of view of quality.

A kind of discreet espionage has emerged of itself. A new enemy pursuer appears on the horizon. Immediately, the intelligence service of the air defence comes into play. The speed of the new type is recorded, its silhouette photographed, each observation is noted. The home pursuers are on the alert.

Then comes the first fight. A plane

is

shot down or forced to land. A taught how to protect war production effectively?

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And even that diabolical German device for exploding a damaged Messerschmidt plane in the air, with or without its pilot, to prevent it from falling into enemy hands, failed. The secret of the new ME 109 was only kept for a few days. A well organised observation service with its clever engineers is just as important as an air fleet.

For new inventions are very soon known to everybody. War secrets only remain so for a few days. Modern air war is more and more a conflict

"Katiusha"—The Russian prototype of the Italian bomber BR-20.

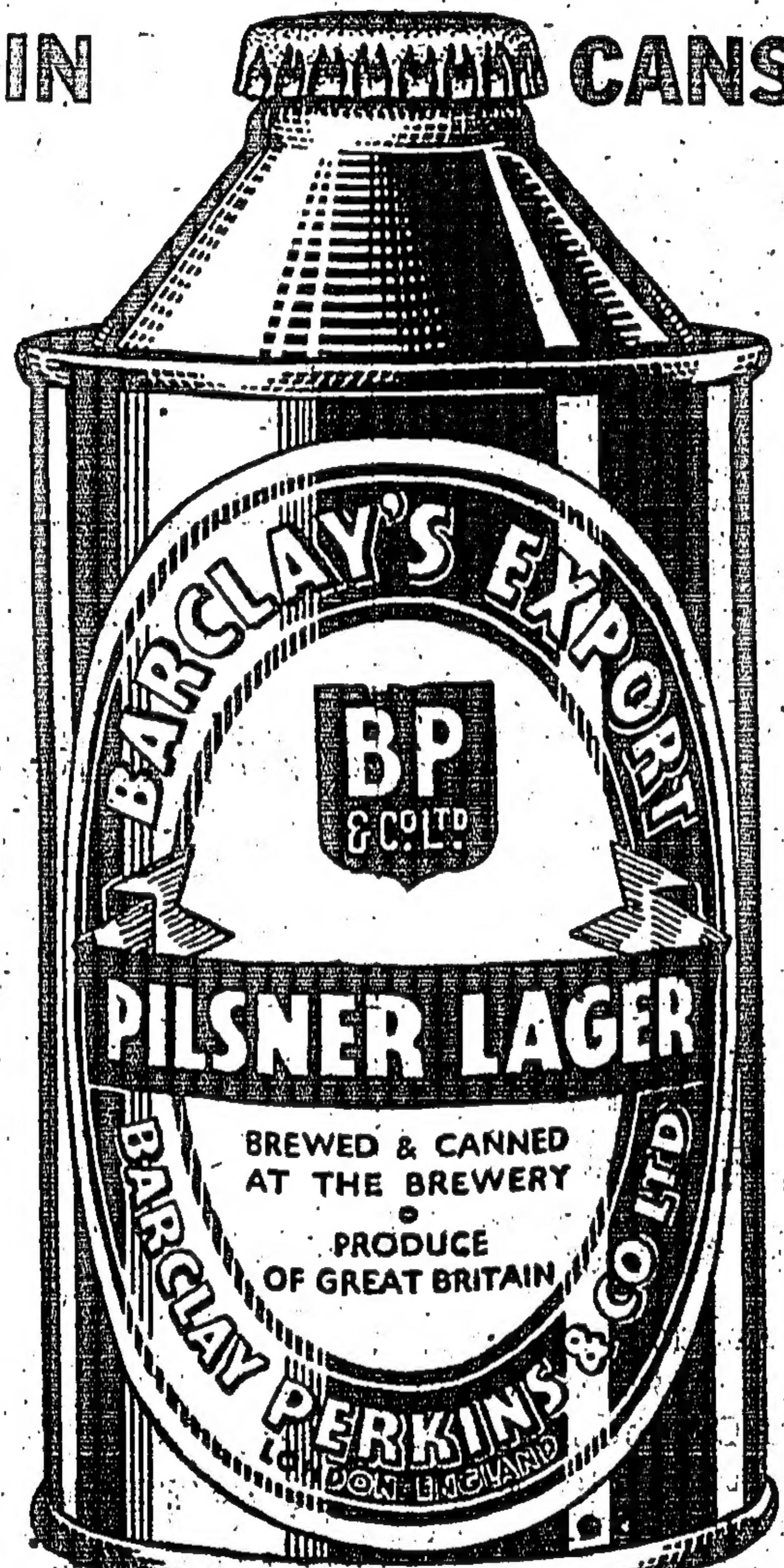
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The production centres of Catalonia were systematically bombed by the nationalist air force. For the question was not only to block the Mediterranean coast, but also to destroy or paralyse the young and fast developing industry of the enemy. The protection of the industry seemed an inextricable problem. There were neither sufficient pursuers nor enough

BARCLAY'S LAGER

IN CANS

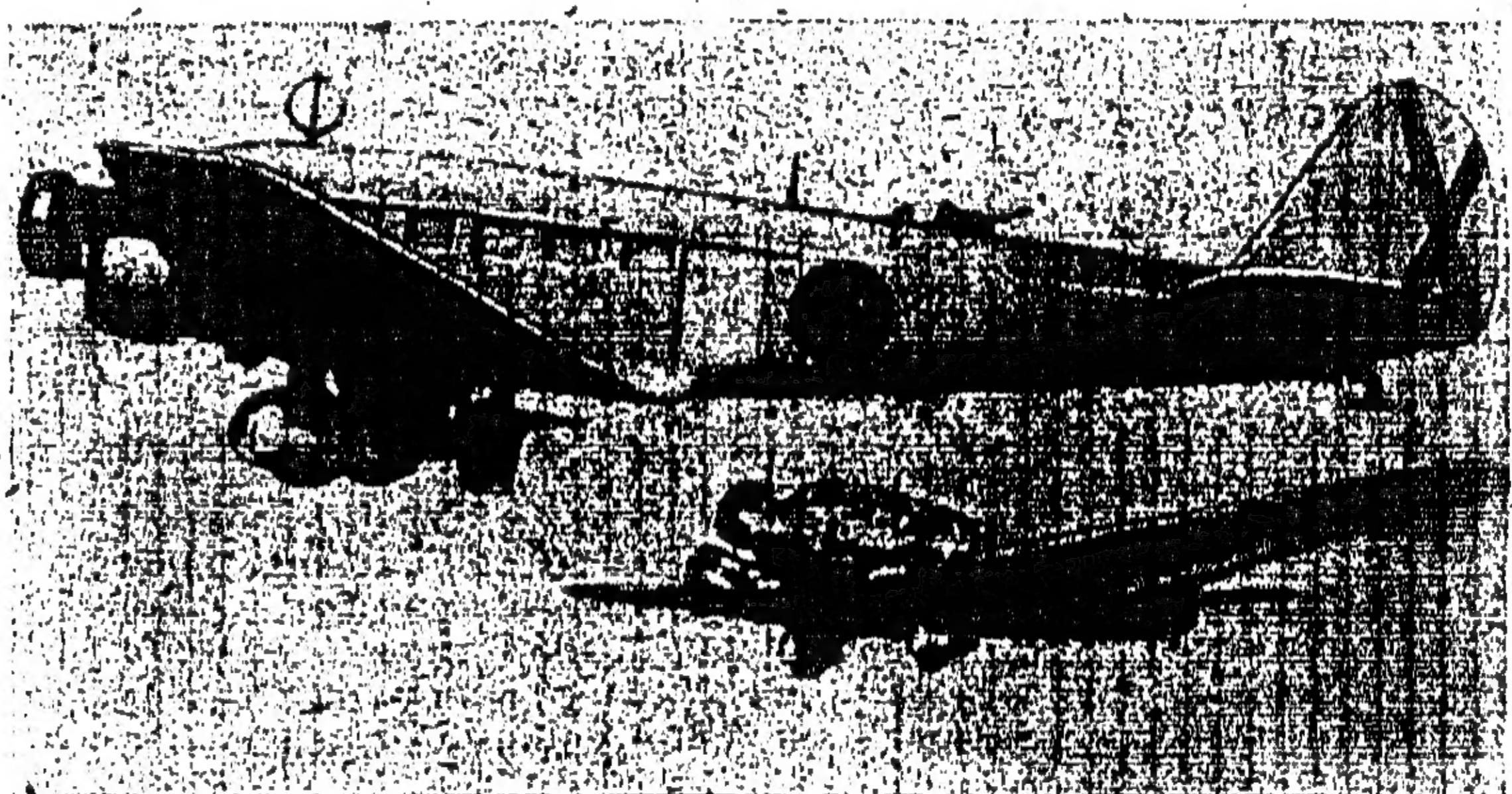


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with equal weapons. In this case, anti-air guns to defend all factories effectively. And they lay within the range of the enemy air fleet.

THE W.R OF PRODUCTION

Lloyd George's words "Modern war is a war of production" are more than ever true to-day. Production is more important than the effectiveness of the army and the air fleet. The life of an air engine is generally limited to 1000 flight hours. The loss of machines in flight or through accident is enormous. Production is decisive for victory or defeat.

It must therefore not only be organised, but protected from destruction through the enemy air forces. Russia and the United States have defended their centres of production by situating them at a great distance from any potential front. No enemy plane could over-fly these centres. But for France and England this is a serious problem.

The Spanish air war has shown that no country need hesitate to arm; the modern military plane will not soon be obsolete. Has the Spanish war also

been secured in the next three weeks, if the Catalonia front had not broken down at that time. The emergency solution found for the problem lay in the organisation of a system of workshops.

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By BUD FISHER

JAPANESE SHIPS PAINT ON FLAGS

One result of the outbreak of war in Europe was the arrival in port to-day of a Japanese freighter with a Japanese flag painted large on both sides.

She is the first to appear here so distinguished.

RADIO AIDS CONQUEST OF VAST DESERT

Adelaide, South Australia.

A unique radiocast was recently made by Dr. Cecil Madigan, leader of a small party attempting a crossing of Simpson Desert in Central Australia. It was made as the radiocaster perched between two sand ridges out on the desert which is at the boundaries of Queensland and South Australia. The desert, which is 60,000 square miles in extent, is hardly known to white man.

Some ingenuity had to be used for the radiocast. Dr. Madigan used a pedal transceiver and the Postmaster General's Department assisted in the provision of telephone lines to ensure that the faint sounds emitted should be heard all over the Commonwealth. The small pedal transmitting and receiving set is operated either by batteries or by a generator driven as a bicycle is propelled.

The radiocast was first picked up at a far northern centre on the Adelaide-Broken Hill line where there is the headquarters for a number of pedal-operated transceivers for communication between the outlying posts of Central Australia. An amplifier was used, and the radiocast was then connected with a telephone line. At places nearer Adelaide other amplifiers were installed and so the radiocast was taken to the headquarters of the Australian Broadcasting Commission where the distributing was undertaken by a special equipment. Several tests had been made over this planned radio itinerary and had been successful.

ADVERSE CONDITIONS

Desert conditions, however are no respecters of radiocasts and when Dr. Madigan began his talk rain was falling—a most unusual happening in this country—the wind was blowing the papers out of his hands.

The leader of the expedition stuck to his post and, on the whole, was heard very well, although sentences were broken, and static played some mischievous pranks.

"The tiny mouthpiece I am shielding from the wind," said Dr. Madigan, "seems so absurd, so infinitesimal out here. But it is conveying, I hope, my message to Australia from a part about which nothing was previously known."

When the wind permitted Dr. Madigan to refer to his notes he found it difficult to read them with the fitful rays of the light he was using.

UNCONQUERED DESERT

"To you sitting at your firesides," he resumed, "it is hard to imagine us out here, hundreds of miles from anywhere, in the heart of a desert unconquered by man. . . . I never cease to marvel . . . a few yards from me is a fire, built from little bits of wood we have covered miles to collect. The cook is just browning a damper over the embers."

There were further interruptions and then—"We have been delayed by rains but we are now on the march again. We have two meals a day—one at sunrise and one at dusk—so anxious are we to keep moving and complete our conquest. Even in these wastes the dingo has beaten man to the conquest. We have seen only a few of these animals but their howling at night is a regular feature."

The radiocast closed with: "Good night. It is time to get out our sleeping bags."

ITALIAN GOVERNMENT SAYS HITLER WOULD NOT TAKE AN ULTIMATUM

MUSSOLINI COMMUNIQUE ON PEACE EFFORT

Rome, To-day.

A COMMUNIQUE was issued here last night regarding Mussolini's last-minute efforts for peace.

The communique says that Il Duce suggested on Thursday that a five-Power conference be held. France and Britain replied favourably on Friday but by then the Nazis had started the invasion of Poland.

Early on Saturday, Mussolini told Hitler there was still a possibility of conferring, after an armistice was declared.

SCHOOL HEAD SHOT IN SHANGHAI

CHUNGKING, TO-DAY.

MR. WU TSE-CHIEN, PRINCIPAL OF THE SHANGHAI GIRLS' COLLEGE, WAS MURDERED YESTERDAY, ACCORDING TO A DESPATCH FROM SHANGHAI.

He was leaving the teachers' rest room when an assassin fired four shots at him. He was rushed to hospital but succumbed to his wounds.

Altogether three assailants visited the college. Two kept watch at the gate while the third carried out the murder.

Deceased, who had been engaged in educational work in Shanghai for many years, was recently alleged to have been affiliated with Wang Ching-wei and supported his peace movement. He published a denial in the Shanghai newspapers.

He was 38 years old and a native of Nantungchow. A graduate of the Great China University, Shanghai, he was a returned student from Italy. He is survived by his parents and a son, his wife being dead.—Central News.

NO ROYAL TRAIN IN AUSTRALIA

No Royal train will be available to the Duke and Duchess of Kent because of variable railway gauges. Queensland and Tasmania have 3 ft. 6 ins., New South Wales 4 ft. 8 ins., and Victoria 5 ft. 6 ins. Western Australia has two of these widths and South Australia has all three.

Therefore special trains will be made up in each State and everywhere they go they will be preceded by pilot trains. Precautions not usual when Governors-General travel will be taken, such as special guards on crossings and bridges, and the suspension of shunting.

It will not be possible to add special coaches to Victoria's stream-lined, air-conditioned "Ayer-de-luxe" which handle the inter-capital traffic, but if it is desired to use them, sections will be reserved and on the Duke will be conferred the freedom of the Footplate if he desires the thrill of some really fast driving.

OVER TWO INCHES OF RAIN

Last night's torrential downpours produced 2.37 inches of rain at the Royal Observatory, this morning's report reveals.

The temperature, in the moist warmth of the day, reached a maximum of 91 degrees.

This morning at 10 a.m., the temperature was 84 degrees and the humidity 80 per cent.

The Observatory reports that a weak anti-cyclone covers Manchuria and the Sea of Japan and a ridge of high pressure extends to the Eastern Sea.

Pressure is high over N. China.

The depression to the south-east of Tokyo is moving north-eastward.

A shallow depression remains over the south-east coast of China.

WARDERS WANT SLIPPERS

Because prisoners at the Brisbane Gaol have complained that the noise of warders, walking about at night, disturbs their sleep, the warders want to be supplied with slippers.

This was revealed at the State Service Union conference when the representative of the warders moved that uniforms and other equipment, including not only boots, helmets, and greatcoats, but also slippers and goloshes, if required, should be supplied to members at the Minister's discretion.

The conference agreed to the motion.

FLAMES SHOOT FROM SEA SURFACE

The lighthouse steamer Satellite has warned shipping to avoid a mile-wide cauldron, off the Cornish coast, where flames from the sunken French tanker Sunik (5,000 tons) are still shooting 60 feet from the surface of the sea.

The Sunik, which was carrying 5,000 tons of benzine, was rammed by the Swedish steamer Grangesberg in a fog off the Devonshire coast and caught fire.

Although the Sunik sank 60 hours ago in 42 fathoms, a stream of oil is still coming to the surface, and is being ignited.

A dense fog still envelopes the area, and urgent warnings have been broadcast to shipping to avoid the vast inferno.

The Satellite's boats, while investigating, ran into boiling water, and were forced back by the flames.

"WEAR A BRASSIERE? NOT ME," SAID SHE

and walked out of her job, did Della Carroll, dancing showgirl at New York's World Fair.

The management had met in solemn conclave and decided she'd got to have a brassiere.

P.S.—Rosita Royce, who also danced at the World's Fair with seven doves as her only adornment, had to pack up. The doves got heart trouble from overwork.

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**MIRROR OF WORLD
OPINION**

CHEERFUL READING

Perhaps these days can be brightened by a reading of a little book by Dr. Ivan Lajos.

It is called "Germany's War Chances," and its conclusions concerning the hugely advertised Nazi war machine are partly confirmed by two other studies recently published — Max Werther's "Military Strength of the Powers" and the ex-Nazi Rauschning's remarkable account, in his "Revolution of Destruction," of the appalling moral deterioration of the German masses and of the internecine intrigues surging below the surface of the Nazi Party.

These books — with other scraps of evidence based on German sources — suggest that, behind the triumphant facade of Nazidom, as of all rapidly improvised Dictatorships, lurks a hideous conflict of personal rivalries, a mass of corruption, and a mess of incompetence, due to the fact that few men of honour and talent get a chance with the power-crazed Dictators and their sycophants.

We must not exaggerate these weaknesses. But to call attention to them is useful, since so many people in this country have grossly exaggerated the strength and stability of power based on robbery and persecution. — "Daily Mirror."

THE POLISH CORRIDOR

The German claim to Danzig presumably serves as a cover for demanding the Polish Corridor, in the same way that the grievances of the Sudeten Germans were exploited to destroy the independence of Czechoslovakia. Undoubtedly it wounds German pride that the famous old province of East Prussia is now an enclave, but the fact is that the Polish Corridor (which in pre-war days was West Prussia) is predominantly Polish in population, and nothing short of enforced mass-migration will ever make it otherwise. Since the Nazi philosophy at least professes a belief in self-determination, it can hardly argue for the annexation of essentially Polish territory. — "United Empire."

**DR. BENES AND
DEMOCRACY**

If ever a statesman had reason to be disillusioned about democracy, it might well be the former President of Czechoslovakia. Yet the exiled Dr. Benes, greeted with shouts of "Long live Czechoslovakia" from fellow Czechs, gave in his speech at Cambridge a token of the deep conviction inspired by democracy as a political faith. In declaring that this faith would be ultimately victorious in Europe, with the consequently freeing of his country, Dr. Benes may have found encouragement for his hopes in recent events within "Greater Germany." In Bohemia and Moravia the Czechs are showing formidable resistance to their taskmasters. The Nazis have been forced to modify their policy of Germanisation by a purge of Sudeten officials, and the Czech National Unity Party's influence is growing steadily. Meanwhile from the Reich comes the news of widespread discontent among half a million coalminers, necessitating a special commissioner to increase the production of coal. Other workers besides the miners are growing restive at long hours of work and poor conditions, and the trouble with the miners offers only one example among many of the increasing strain in Germany. — "Sydney Morning Herald."

RESPONSIBILITY

Responsibility for the outbreak of war does not now depend upon who may be the first shot, or create an incident precipitating war. It rests entirely upon those who have been responsible for creating the present

tense situation, and when officials in Washington judge that the Prime Minister's speech is a fair, and accurate presentation of the European situation, and that the outcome of the crisis depends on Herr Hitler, they come to the only conclusion which is possible on the facts. The German contention that the responsibility will lie with those who do not concede what she considers are her just demands will not do. — "North China Daily News."

MR. CHURCHILL

The assurance, to which Mr. Chamberlain added much by his speech on Monday, and which he could make absolute by bringing Mr. Churchill into his Cabinet, that this country would be instant in its reaction to aggression, would work wonders at home and abroad. At home it would reunite the Conservative Party, and rally the Opposition to support his foreign policy. Abroad it would inspire confidence among all our friends and all who fear the restless activities of Germany, and would consolidate the peace front. — "The Spectator."

AGAINST WAR

"There will never be another world war." Just like that Henry Ford says it. Thus positively he denies the fear that war will break out. It would be easy to say that on this question Mr. Ford's opinion is only that of one highly successful motor manufacturer, and to point to political and military phenomena which always have led to war. — "Christian Science Monitor."

ONE OF GREATEST

It is possible after all to see in Mr. Churchill one of the greatest living Englishmen, to acknowledge gratefully his eminent and varied services as an independent critic, and yet to recognise that it is not difficult to think of more than one adequate reason why this is not the moment for him to join the Government.

Such a reconstruction of the Ministry, for one thing, would be widely interpreted upon the Continent as the entry into the British Cabinet of the War Party; nor, on the plane of political realism, does it necessarily dispose of that objection to reply that there is no British War Party.

If Mr. Chamberlain thinks it desirable to avoid that delicate conjunction of events, the nation as a whole will be well content to accept his ruling. We are crossing a perilous pass, and the shouting of mutual detractions is not the only method of dislodging avalanches.

What most matters now, after the building of an impregnable defence, is that the uneasy critics should do no more to undermine the foundations of the National Front, and that the Prime Minister should know that he has an undivided nation at his back. — "Sunday Times."

PRISONERS IN CHINA

Relative passivity is not a course which the Japanese are likely to adopt so long as they have anything to hope from pressing their more exorbitant demands. Both the British public and our nationals in China would welcome an early indication by the Government that further Japanese claims which stand on an entirely different footing — particularly those in respect of Chinese silver deposits and Chinese currency — will be no account be entertained. — "Times."

ULSTER ARRESTS I.R.A. MEN

Lord Craigavon, Premier of Northern Ireland, speaking in the House of Commons said that owing to certain regrettable incidents they had taken 45 members of the Irish Republican Army into their care on Sunday night and added them to those already confined under grave suspicion.

"There they will remain," he said, "until the end of the war unless something justifies letting them out."

Earlier Lord Craigavon said "We are prepared with the rest of the United Kingdom and Empire to face all responsibilities that the state of war imposes."—Reuter.

SOUTH AFRICAN CABINET SPLIT

HERTZOG FAVOURS POLICY OF NEUTRALITY: SMUTS DEMANDS UNITED EMPIRE

SOUTH RHODESIA MOBILISED

London, To-day.

In South Rhodesia the Territorials have been put on an active service footing and the reserves mobilised for service in or outside of the Colony.

The Governor of South Rhodesia, announcing the mobilisation, said: "Never has the sword been unsheathed in a nobler cause."—Reuter.

Salisbury, To-day.

In Southern Rhodesia, a proclamation has been issued mobilising the territorial active force and reserves for active service within or beyond the Colony.

There has been an enthusiastic response to the call for recruits.—Reuter.

CZECHS URGED TO SABOTAGE

London, To-day.

A Warsaw message says that the Polish Government has issued a proclamation urging the Czechs to take up arms against their hereditary enemy.

Czechs should sabotage the Nazi war machine, the proclamation adds.

The first Czech units formed in Poland are stated to have already been under fire.—Reuter.

ANTHONY EDEN TAKES OVER JOB

LONDON, TO-DAY.

MR. ANTHONY EDEN TOOK OVER HIS DUTIES AS DOMINIONS MINISTER EARLY THIS MORNING.

Although Mr. Eden is not a member of the War Cabinet, arrangements have been made for him to attend all meetings of that body so that he can keep the Dominions in constant touch with developments.—Reuter.

London, To-day.

Regular defence forces in all British African colonies are now mobilised, and full security measures taken.—Reuter.

ARABS SUPPORT THE EMPIRE

Cairo, To-day.

All Arab parties are unanimous in their decision to stand by Great Britain.

The Arab world, says an announcement, is solidly behind Britain.—Reuter.

MOBILISATION IN AFRICA

London, To-day.

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London, To-day.

GERMANS IN TANGANYIKA SHOW NO WILL TO RESIST

London, To-day.

The Ministry of Information has issued a communiqué which announces that His Majesty's Government has accepted with deep appreciation the offer of the Government of Nepal to send 8,000 Nepalese troops for service with His Majesty's forces in India.

The communiqué also states that the internment of Germans in Tanganyika is already complete in the main centres and the process is going on smoothly all over the country.

"There is no hint of resistance and it appears there is no will to resist. The sedulous Nazi propaganda of the last few years has not taken effect on 4,000 Germans in the territory," the communiqué says.

The Eman of Trans-Jordan, through the High Commissioner for Palestine, has expressed to the Secretary for Colonies his "whole-hearted loyalty and that of his people."—Reuter.

NEPALESE OFFER

London, To-day.

The Government of Nepal has offered to the British Government 8,000 Nepalese troops for service in India.

The British Government, through our Minister to Nepal, has expressed warm appreciation of this act of friendship.—Reuter.

London, To-day.

The Duke of Kent has taken up his war-time naval duties.—Reuter.

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but, believe me, I'd rather stay away
than see an indifferent play.

...So that's why, when you
offered me whisky, I asked you
to make mine a White Horse. I daresay some men
hold that one Scotch whisky
is as good as another. Well,
when they know as much
about it as I do, they will
think differently."

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YOU MAKE A
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COUPLE - I AM
SO PROUD
TO HAVE A
NOBLEMAN
FOR A SON-
IN-LAW.

GOSH-MA-YOU
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TO HAVE ME AS
A SON WHOSE
SON IS GOING
TO BE
PRESIDENT
SOME DAY.

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THAT - HAVEN'T
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Chinese Smuggle MYSTERY TREASU HIDDEN STORE OF UNTOLD WEALTH

LONDON, YESTERDAY.
IN A DINGY LITTLE HOUSE NOT FAR FROM THE BANKS OF THE THAMES AND WITHIN SIGHT OF BIG BEN LIES THE SECRET TO THE WHEREABOUTS OF JEWELS WORTH A KING'S RANSOM. A tall, slightly bald, elderly Chinese sits for several hours every day under the glare of a powerful electric light in the securely shuttered basement, recording in neat Chinese characters the description and value of diamonds, pearls, rubies and emeralds that come to him from war-ravaged China.

Pearls that once graced the hair and throats of mandarins' favourite wives, and rubies and rare emeralds that were, only a few months ago, parts of centuries-old ancestral shrines, lie in apparent confusion on the table beside the old man.

There are other guardians of the treasures which have been sent to London, but this old man is trusted by clients who, for reasons of their own, demand special secrecy.

SAVED FROM THE JAPANESE

Chinese business men and small up-country farmers who have hoarded the precious stones as heirlooms are hurriedly packing them up as the Japanese advance, and are sending them to the only country they think is safe.

As city after city falls to the foreign invaders and even the foreign Concessions are being combed by Japanese spies for Chinese wealth, business men and farmers alike have lost faith in banks and strongrooms.

Bombs, they argue, can break down banks and pillaging Japanese soldiers can steal from strongrooms. But both rich and poor have complete faith in their countrymen who sit at his table thousands of miles away, recording in his ledgers the names of the men who, although many of them do not even know his name, trust him with their treasures, to be hidden away in a place that only he knows.

Many of the jewels are smuggled into the country from foreign cargo vessels coming in from the East.

Before they leave Chinese ports, and almost under the eyes of the Japanese, holes are drilled, a little way into the sides of packing-cases that hold ordinary merchandise.

A diamond or emerald is pushed into the hole, which is then filled up with plastic wood.

At the warehouse, the packing-case, which has a secret mark to show where the jewel is hidden, is broken open, the stone dug out of its hiding place and taken to the little riverside house.

Odd-looking little wooden dolls and animals with bulging red and

green eyes that are exported from China for the curiosity shops of the East End pass the watchful Customs men with ease.

But many of the dolls are worth, not the sixpence the hundreds of others like them cost, but fortunes.

The bulging red and green eyes are not just glass, but rubies and emeralds.

When the sound of Japanese aeroplanes and the crash of falling bombs have ceased, the jewels will slowly be returned to their owners, if they are alive, or to the womenfolk and children who are left.

The old Chinese who is looking after all this wealth gets no reward from his countrymen for his services. He does it for the love of China and in order to save at least a little from the Japanese.—Our Own Correspondent.

WANDERING OVER A POLICE STATION

Seen in the corridor outside the European Sergeants' Quarters on the second floor of Mongkok Police Station, a Shantung Chinese, Li Sui-tin, 32, was charged with trespassing this morning before Mr. E. Himsworth.

He was fined \$3 or one week's hard labour.

Accused was arrested by a Station "boy," when he could give no satisfactory explanation for being on the floor.

He had a rattan basket and a key in his hand when arrested.

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KIDNAP STATESMAN: CHIEFS MENACED

London, Yesterday.

leading British Statesmen, as well as Navy, and Royal Air Force chiefs and industrialists, have been drawn into bomb terrorists as a new line of

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By George McManus



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JEWS WANT TO JOIN IN WAR ON HITLER

Shanghai, To-day. Scores of Jewish refugees besieged the British and French consulates yesterday, offering themselves for active service against Germany.

The authorities took no action, apart from recording their names.

In the meantime, hundreds of Britons have volunteered for immediate service.

Swastika flags previously displayed on German-owned cars, homes and clubs have disappeared.

A number of Germans are leaving to-day for Germany via Siberia and Soviet Russia, with the intention of joining the German Army.—Reuters.

PRINCE EDWARD RD. COLLISION

Following an accident, in which an ambulance and his car were in collision at the junction of Prince Edward and Waterloo Roads, Mr. J. F. Shea, of No. 301, Prince Edward Road, was this morning summoned before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen for failing to exercise the caution when approaching a cross-road. He pleaded guilty and was fined \$15.

Traffic Inspector J. Scrim said Shea was driving along Waterloo Road towards Kowloon Tong. At the junction, his car collided with an ambulance going along Prince Edward Road towards Kowloon City. Slight damage was done to both vehicles.

Mr. G. S. Wilson, A.S.P., was complainant in two summonses against Cheung Lam, who was charged with speeding through the Nathan Road controlled-area and a built-up area.

Mr. Wilson stated that he followed Cheung who travelled at between 37 and 40 m.p.h. through the controlled-area and maintained the same speed after passing into the built-up area.

A fine of \$16 was imposed.

Pleading guilty by letter to failing to carry headlights when driving along Nathan Road, near Haiphong Road, at 11.30 p.m. on August 16, M. M. Moore, of Luna Building, was fined \$4.

FORGED DRIVING LICENCE

FUNG TSUN-KEUNG, 21, WAS CHARGED AT THE CENTRAL MAGISTRACY BEFORE MR. R. EDWARDS THIS MORNING, WITH POSSESSION OF A FORGED DRIVING LICENCE.

Det. Sergeant Brooks said that the traffic office happened to inspect the defendant's licence, and found a forged endorsement for the driving of a lorry.

Traffic Inspector Saunders said defendant had been driving for a year, but to drive a lorry had to take a special test.

Defendant said he gave his licence to a friend who was supposed to get an endorsement for him.

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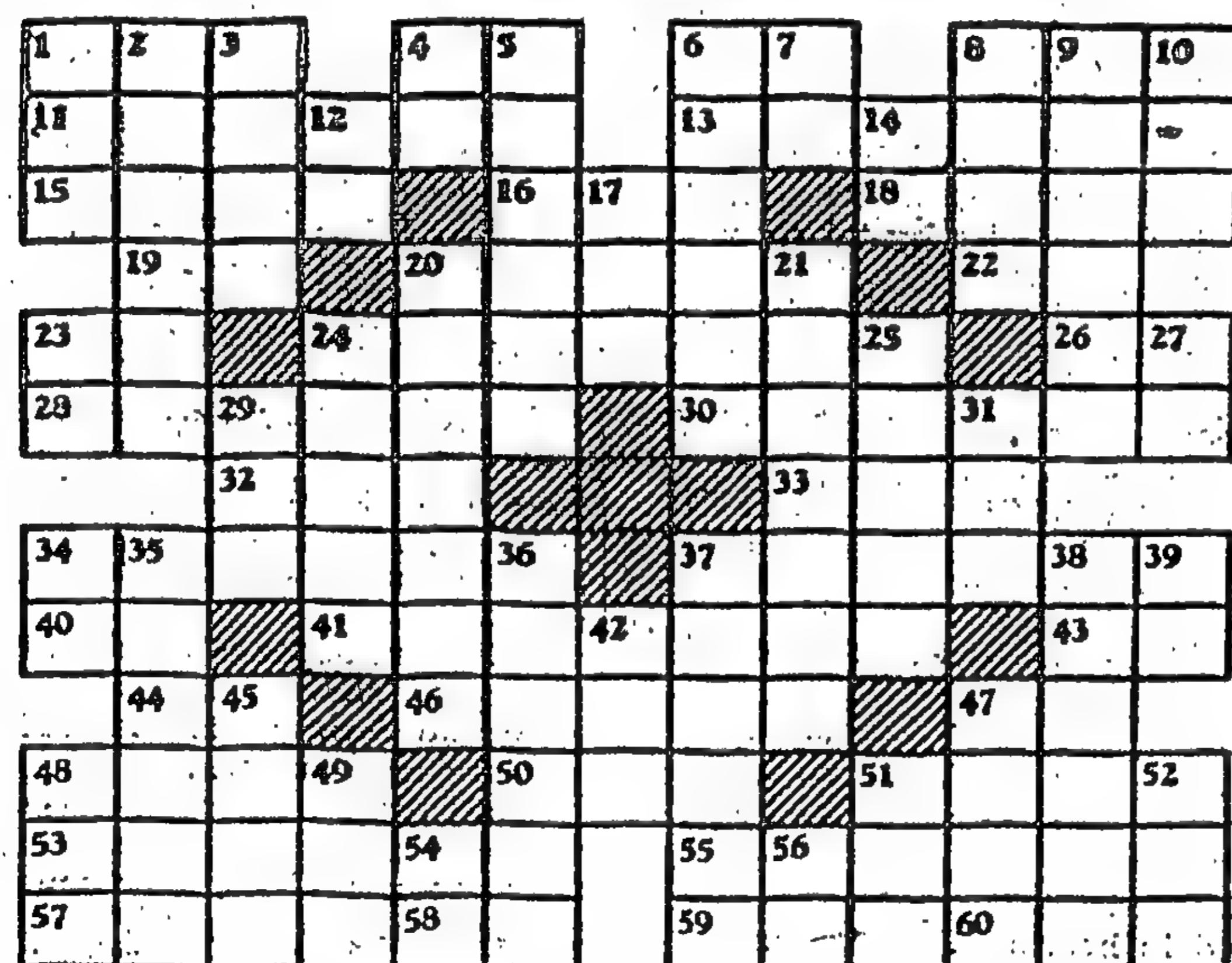
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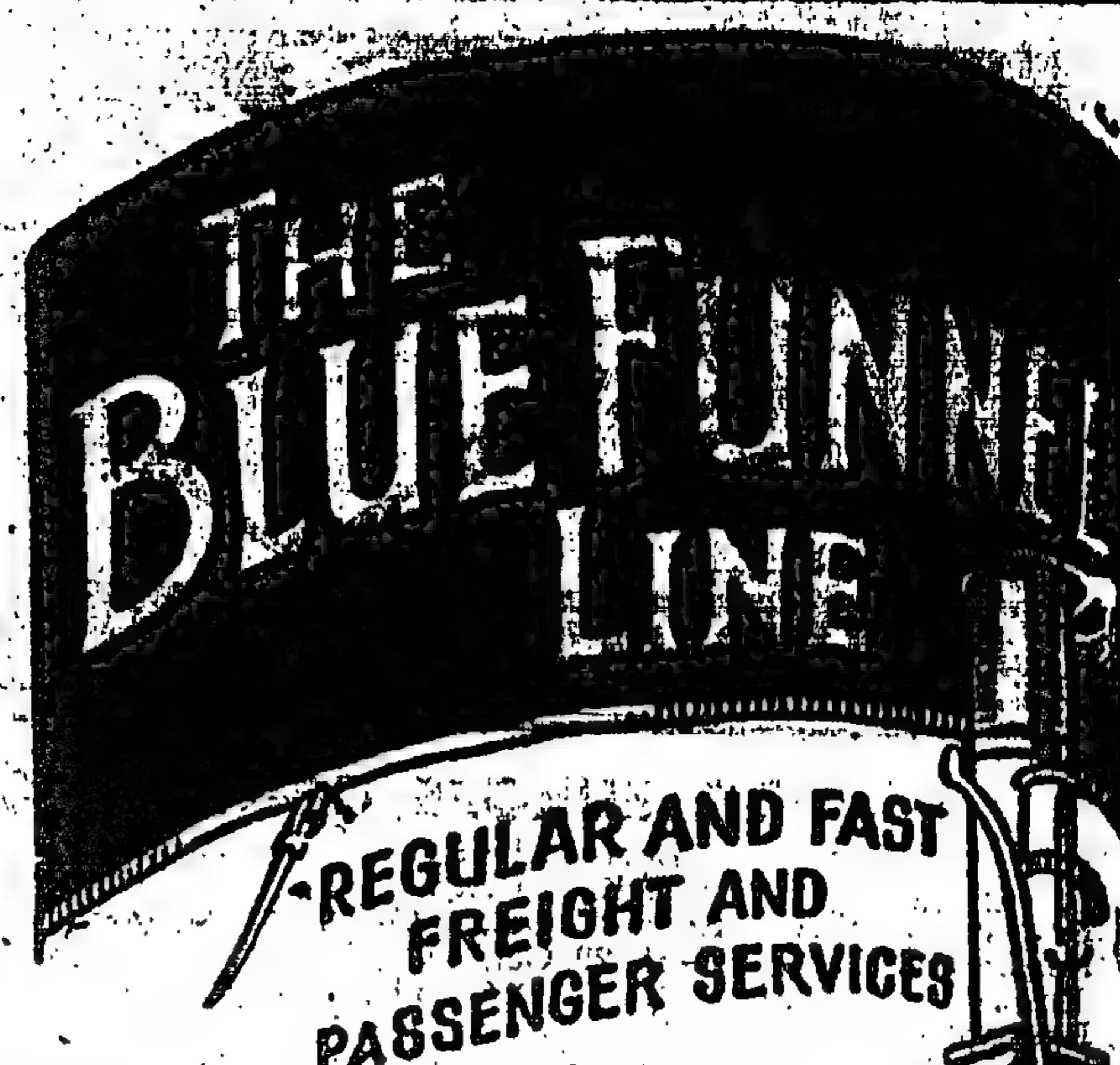
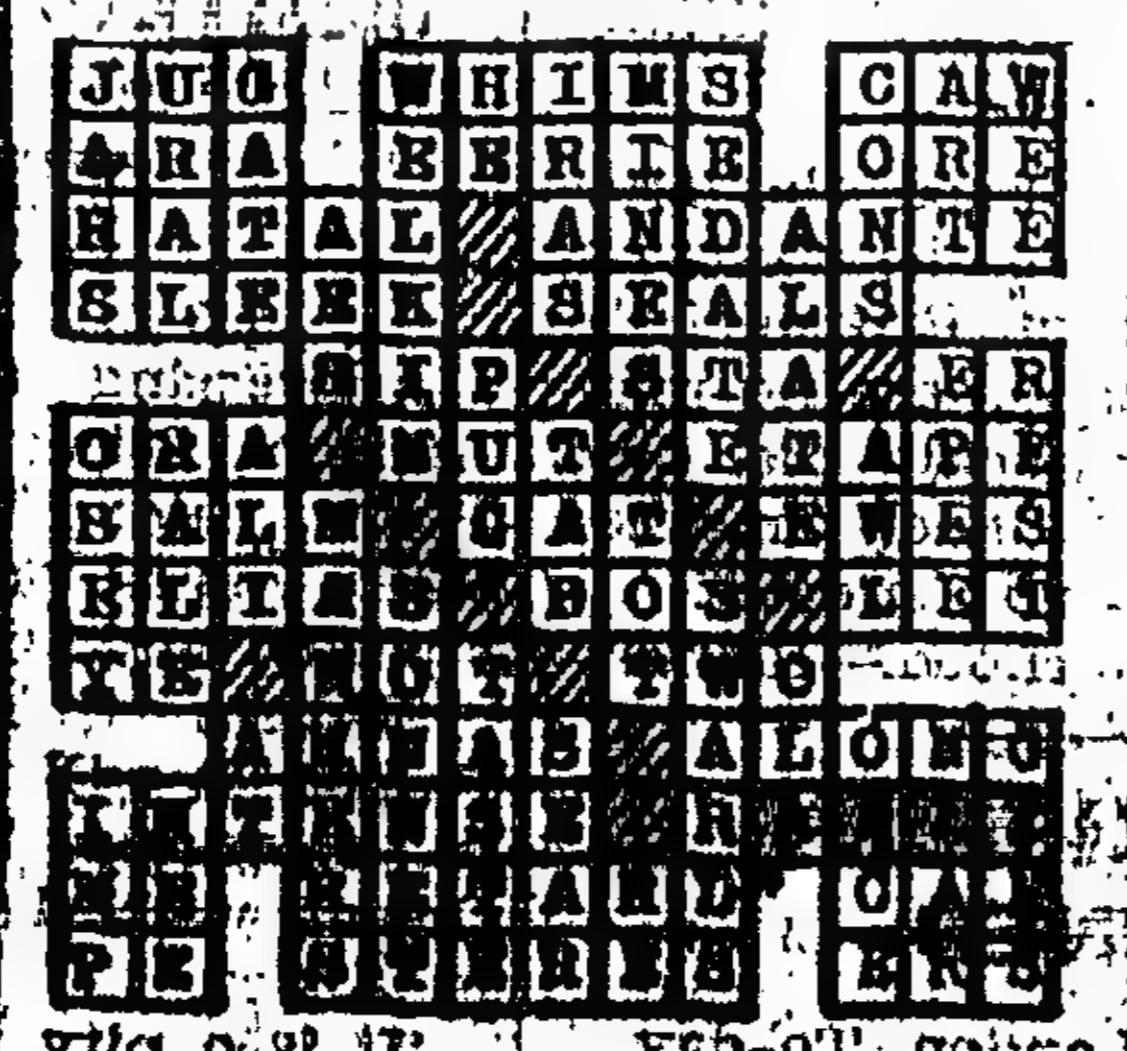
HORIZONTAL

- By Way of
- Exists
- Southern state (abbr.)
- Small portion
- Absorbed
- Aim
- Always
- Part of play
- Nobleman
- Type measure
- Sanctions
- The (Fr.)
- Spanish article
- Semi precious gems
- Therefore
- Begins
- Cooks
- Gun (sl.)
- Eggs
- Aspects
- Disburses
- Butterfly
- Moved
- stealthily
- New England state (abbr.)
- Pronoun
- Surfeited
- The Buddha
- Final
- Portuguese coin

VERTICAL

- Genus of frogs
- Pay no attention to
- Approached
- River in England
- Hypothetical force
- Continent (init.)
- Queer
- To confound
- Create
- Solar disc
- Within
- Climbing steps
- More recent
- While
- Face of clock
- To halt
- Babylonian god
- Comparative ending
- Hebrew letter
- Container
- Makes larger
- Bent over
- Frown
- Turf
- Rescued
- A bone
- Turkish officer
- Bushmen
- Pacific Islands (abbr.)
- Feeble
- Scored
- Balls of yarn
- Hummed
- Note of scale
- Consumed
- Anglo-Saxon serif
- Gambling game
- Coves
- Goward
- Sun god
- Total up
- Artificial language
- Each (abbr.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



LONDON SERVICE

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BRITISH OFFICER
“WELL TREATED”

Japanese Spokesman
Denies Ill-Treatment

The Japanese military authorities are according Lieut.-Col. Spear all the courtesies and good treatment in accordance with the principles of "bushido." This statement was made at the Japanese press conference in Shanghai when a military spokesman denied reports, which had appeared in the foreign press describing alleged Japanese ill-treatment of the detained British Military Attaché.

These reports, the spokesman said had alleged that Lieut.-Col. Spear was in very bad health and that he had been ill-treated. Information at hand, however, indicated that such reports were wholly unfounded. The report in question, he said, was issued by Reuter. "Naturally the Japanese military authorities are not at all happy that such despatches should have been sent out by that news agency," he added.

Dealing with the reports, he stated that one had alleged that food sent to Lieut.-Col. Spear from Peking on July 5 had either failed to reach him or had only got there after a great delay.

"GOOD TIME"

The fact was that the food reached him in good time and it had been learned that the Japanese authorities, who were looking after the detained officer, had obtained for him access to English language newspapers by arrangement with the local military authorities.

Dealing with a report alleging ill-treatment, the military spokesman said that it was a fact that Lieut.-Col. Spear's meals were even better than those provided for Japanese military officers. And the authorities, feeling that he would probably appreciate some food in addition to the ordinary Japanese ration, had made it a practice to supply him with Russian meals, the spokesman added.

He continued that it had also been reported that Col. Spear had not been allowed any exercise by taking walks. While it was true that until the completion of the investigations he would not be allowed to move about outside by himself, he had been given permission to take walks outside provided that he went with an escort.

PRIVILEGE REFUSED

At this point a pressman asked if it was not true that Col. Spear had refused to take a walk unless he was accompanied by an officer of the same rank as himself. "He was given freedom in keeping with one who is under investigation," the spokesman said. He had refused to accept this.

Furthermore, the spokesman continued, Lieut.-Col. Spear had not suffered in health. When he had been visited recently by Comdr. Parker

of the Tokyo Embassy and Major Hennessey, a British Army surgeon, he had not even been examined by the medical man. Instead he had informed them that he was in good health and did not require attention.

The two British officers, who had visited Col. Spear, had confirmed this and had expressed their thanks to the Japanese authorities for the treatment which had been accorded the detained officer, he said. He hoped that reports of this kind would not be taken advantage of in view of the international situation which was becoming more and more complex and delicate.

Answering a question, he said that he was not in a position to state why Col. Spear had been detained so long without a trial but he felt sure that the authorities concerned would complete their investigations as soon as possible.

DIAMOND
HARDNESS
ASCRIBED
TO METAL

New York.

A new metal that is within two-tenths of one per cent. as hard as diamonds, the hardest known substance, was announced July 22.

The report was made to the American Chemical Society by Phillip M. McKenna, of the McKenna Metals Company, Latrobe, Pa. The metal is made of tungsten, the material used in electric light filaments; titanium, a metal that in one of its forms is used as a pigment for white paint; and carbon. These three are dropped into molten nickel at 2,000 degrees Fahrenheit.

After cooling, aqua regia, the chemical which dissolves gold, dissolves them out of the nickel. After separation, the compound is ground to powder. The powder is heated in furnaces and pressed while hot into a piece of metal harder than the hardest steel.

It is used to make both cutting tools and for other metals and for making alloys to form parts that are nearly as hard as diamonds.

The cutting abilities are so superior, the announcement says, that these new metal tools will finish or smooth the surfaces of monel metal at 90 feet a minute, compared with 15 feet by previously available hard materials.

Alloys have been made with the new metal so hard that they withstand pressures of 300,000 pounds a square inch.

The new metal has been used to make valves for deep oilwell pumps where there is tremendous wear. Two such valves have been driven together by a pneumatic hammer 600 times a minute, at 25 pounds for each blow, without showing appreciable wear after an hour and 45 minutes hammering.

TRADE UNION
CONGRESS

LONDON, TO-DAY.

WHEN DELEGATES REPRESENTING FIVE MILLION BRITISH TRADE UNIONISTS ASSEMBLED AT BRIDLINGTON FOR THEIR ANNUAL CONFERENCE YESTERDAY IT WAS DECIDED TO CURTAIL THE BUSINESS TO TWO DAYS, THUS REFLECTING THE DELEGATES' IMPLACABLE DETERMINATION.

The president expressed the feelings and aspirations of the Congress when he declared that British Labour would stand four square no matter how dark or difficult the days might be, until they had smashed Hitlerism for ever and created a world of true brotherhood. Reuter.

NINE NAZI SHIPS
INTERRED

London, To-day.

The Nazi liner "Columbus" has taken refuge in Vera Cruz.

There are now nine Nazi ships interned in Mexico. Reuter.

WHITES' PRESTIGE IN
THE EAST

Addressing volunteers, the South African Minister for Defence, Mr. Piroozi, said: "War or no war, the white man's prestige in the East has already sunk to zero."

"Unless it is rehabilitated in the Pacific, it will sink to the same level in countries bordering the Indian Ocean, with disastrous repercussions in Africa."

"It is a pity that the European nations are so blind with hatred that they forget that the whites' prestige concerns the whole white race and not any particular nation."

TO-DAY'S STRANGE STORY OF REAL PEOPLE

THE UNEXPLAINED POWER OF DANIEL D. HOME

By VINCENT TOWNE

"MY FATE?" asked Napoleon III. "Like mine—discrowned and death in exile," replied the shade of Napoleon I., whereupon the Empress Eugenie swooned and the Emperor himself fell back in his chair, as if about to faint.

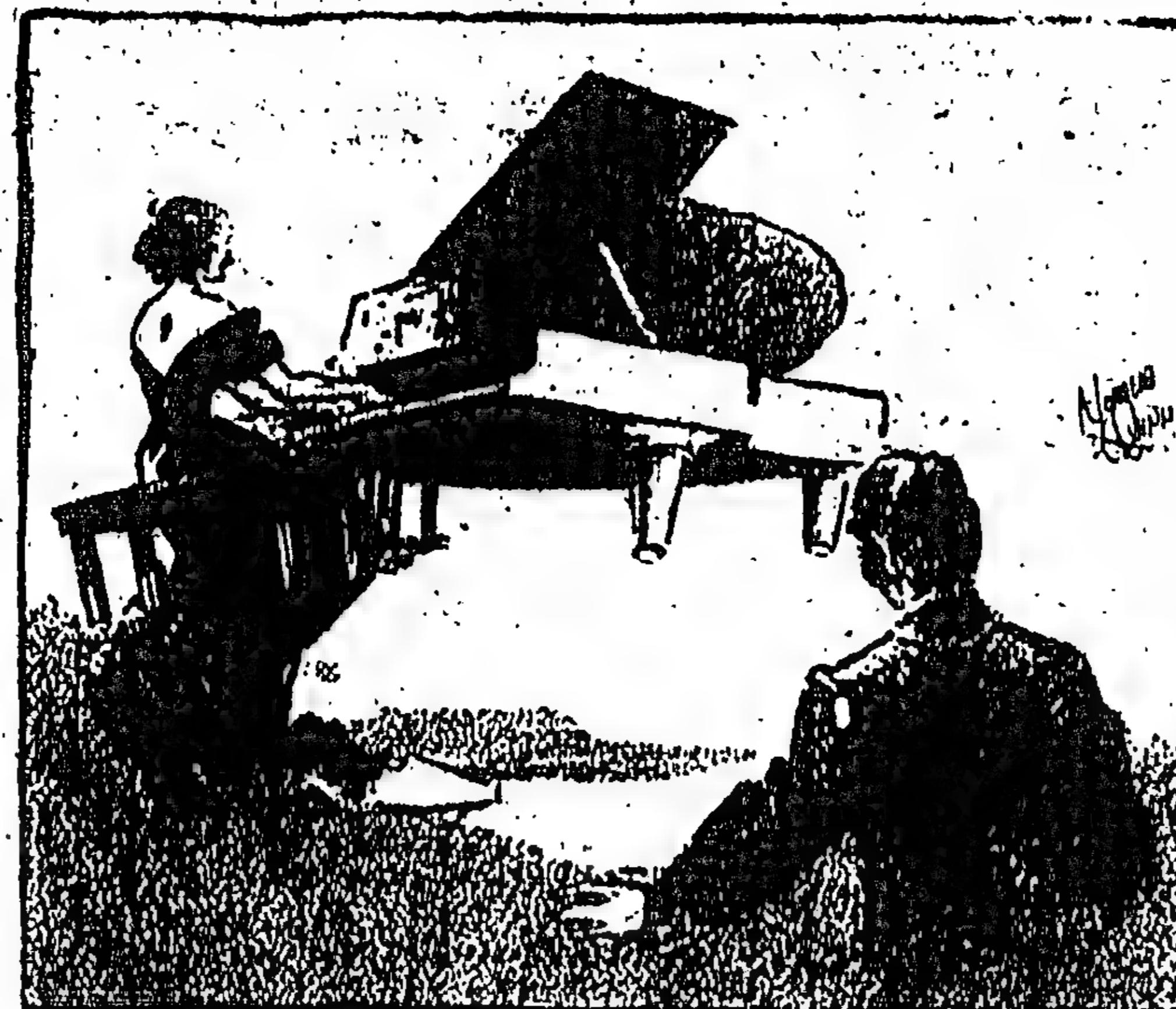
The scene was the Tuilleries, where the French court now lionised its third man of mystery, upon whose broad shoulders had fallen the mantle of St. Germain and Cagliostro. This mystic was Daniel Dunglas Home, born near Edinburgh in 1833. His father was William, natural son of the tenth Earl of Home.

"Second sight" was an alleged ancestral "gift" to Daniel, and many weird phenomena are alleged to have been connected with his childhood. When he was about nine an aunt adopted him and took him to Greenville, Conn. This was about 1842, but soon afterward he was turned out of doors because of disturbing raps which appeared in his aunt's home. Then such men as William Cullen Bryant, Justice Edmonds of the United States Supreme Court and Professor Wells of Harvard took the young man up and vouched for him. At the home of Ward Cheney, near Hartford, Conn., when he was 19 Home is said to have been first levitated" into the air by some unknown force.

He grew to be tall and red-haired, with a freckled face, slate-gray, red-rimmed eyes, sharp teeth, a snub nose and cold, bony fingers. His body was described as like an iron cross on which some one had hung a coat. Indeed, he was rather uncanny to look upon. In 1855, when 22, he went to England, where he began giving seances, where there were mysterious rappings, table tiltings, ghostly appearances and feats of levitation.

At Bulwer-Lytton's home, Knebworth, where he was a guest for days at a time, Home is said to have caused chairs and tables to float in midair. Here also guests solemnly declared that they saw the "master of the mediums" rise and float about a room, sometimes sailing tranquilly out of one window, then around the house and in again through another. The Earl of Dunraven also took him up and declared that he had sometimes seen him elongate and shorten his body at will or cause a closed piano to play by simply placing his finger upon the lid.

At Florence in 1855 he is said to have caused a grand piano and a no-



A Piano And A Noblewoman Playing It Fleeted Through The Air

blewoman who was playing it to float in the air while the playing continued. A polish count next took Home to Naples, whence he went to Rome, there joining the Catholic Church, being after abjured by the Pope to abandon spirit seances forever. By 1858 he had established a social position so high as to marry a Russian countess, a goddaughter of the Czar, and their brilliant wedding brought Alexander Dumas all of the way from Paris. But after his young wife's death, four years later, Home returned to Rome, where reports of a return of his spirit manifestations reached the Papal authorities, who preferred charges of sorcery against him, as in the case of Cagliostro, and compelled him to return to England, where his seances were continued.

He now handled fire with ease, it was said, and kneeling before a hearth he would take out a big, glowing coal, break off a large piece and hold it in his hand while discoursing to his audiences on his "power over solids." Then he would place the coal upon a folded news paper and burn a hole through it.

But public confidence in Home somewhat abated when one Jane Lyons sued him for \$165,000, which he claimed to have obtained from her for communications from her departed husband, and later when a bottle of phosphorus was found at one of his seances. Nevertheless, some of his phenomena were endorsed by that celebrated chemist, Prof. (late Sir) William Crookes, whom Home started upon the high road to spiritualism. Crookes submitted the medium to severe laboratory tests, such as fastening in a secure case an accordion which Home, from a distance, caused to play. The great chemist also arranged at one end of his laboratory a

sort of letter scale, with a recording point which marked down every degree of pressure exerted upon it. Home stood at the opposite end of the laboratory and, by exerting what Crookes admitted to be only his "psychic force," caused the platform of the scale to bear down and record a considerable pressure.

This man of mystery married another Russian noblewoman in 1871, after which he fell into a slow consumption, which caused his death in 1886. What was the mystery of his "psychic force," and was it partly bona fide, as Sir William Crookes maintained, or was it entirely the result of ingenious fraudulent phenomena not yet detected by men of science?

CZECH LEGION

Warsaw, To-day.

The President of Poland has issued a decree providing for the formation of Czechoslovakian legions in Poland.

These will be part of the Polish Army, while retaining their special national character.

One thousand Czechoslovaks have already joined up.

The legions will be commanded by a Czech, General Prchala.—Reuter.

EXCHANGES OF TELEGRAMS

London, To-day.

A telegram was sent by the King to President Lebrun of France yesterday.

His Majesty and President Moscicki of Poland also exchanged telegrams.—Reuter.

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London, To-day.

For at least twenty years the Air Ministry and private inventors have been searching for ways of preventing fire in aircraft, both in flight and especially as a consequence of a crash.

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BASEBALL NOTES

AMERICANS BEAT CHINA IN CHARITY GAME

(By "Grandstand")

IN A CHARITY MATCH played under the auspices of the Hong Kong Women's Soldier's Relief Association, United States of America overwhelmed China 5-1.

With the exception of "Dutch" Lingenbrink the American team was composed of baseball bruisers from the U.S. gunboat Tulsa.

Glen Miles and Dago Costello again formed the battery for the Yanks. Miles pitched a grand game allowing only two hits and striking out ten, while Hank Chang twirled a creditable game for five innings but weakened in the sixth for the Yanks to score three runs and two more in the last frame.

BROKE ICE

The game was scoreless for four innings. China broke the ice in the fifth with one tally, Hank Chank unleashed a single to right field and was brought in by A. Li's three bagger.

In the sixth the Americans replied with three runs when with one away Velkoetter drove a hot one through shortstop for a safety; Hoffman followed with a bingle to left field. Choy was unfortunate to muff "Dutch" Lingenbrink's fly to fill the bases. Bellamy walked to force Velkoetter for the first count, Sartain made a hit to score Hoffman. Lingenbrink came home on a wild pitch while Rabbachi did the Casey and wiffed out for the third out.

The Yanks saluted the game away in the seventh with two more tallies. Miles smacked a hot grounder for a three bagger.

Baker sacrificed a bunt to advance Miles to second. Costello singled to left field. Miles and Costello scored on Velkoetter's bingle. Bellamy flied to right fielder Madeen Arculli to end the inning.

Four runs behind in the last canto the Chinese made a desperate attempt to score but superb hurling by Miles checked them in 1-2-3 order.

Arculli and Wally Ching struck out and Choy flied to windy ally custodian Rabbachi to end the session.

NEAT DOUBLE PLAYS

Two neat double plays were pulled by the Chinese. In the fourth Velkoetter reached first on a bingle. Hoffman slashed a grounder to shortstop Ching who pegged to Lum at second to dispose of Velkoetter then to first baseman Chaney Chan to nail Hoffman.

The second double killing was pulled in the fifth when Rabbachi flied to Ho and Ho's peg to first base caught Sartain napping off the initial sack. Best hitter of the game was Velkoetter who chalked up a double and three singles in four times to bat. Longest hit of the day was A. Li's three bagger.

AUSTRALIA RECOVER WELL AND WIN DAVIS CUP

HAVERFORD, (P.A.), TO-DAY.—Making a remarkable recovery after losing two singles on the first day, Australia won the Davis Cup from United States by 3 matches to 2.

RYDER CUP CONTEST OFF

London, To-day.—The Ryder Cup Golf match between the United States and Great Britain has been postponed indefinitely.—Reuter.

TOUR CANCELLED

London, To-day. The M.C.C. has announced that the forthcoming cricket tour in India has been cancelled.—Reuter.

Reducing the deficit yesterday when they won the doubles, Australia won the final two singles, which resulted as follows:

A. K. Quist (Australia) beat R. L. Riggs 6-1, 6-4, 3-6, 6-4.

J. Bromwich (Australia) beat F. Parker 6-0, 6-3, 6-1.—Reuter.

EARLIER RESULTS

R. L. Riggs (U.S.) beat J. Bromwich 6-4, 6-0, 7-5.

F. Parker (U.S.) beat A. K. Quist 6-3, 2-6, 6-4, 1-6, 7-5.

A. Quist and J. Bromwich (Australia) beat Kramer and Hunt 5-7, 6-2, 7-5, 6-2.

Results:—

N.B.A. CRITICISES BOXING BOARD

London, August 22.—The National Boxing Association, in a statement yesterday, criticises the Stewards of the British Boxing Board of Control, who, they allege, "have no interest in the professional boxers' claims for fair wages and decent conditions."

"Our efforts to obtain the co-operation of the Stewards have been completely unrewarded," the statement adds. "They see boxing only from the ringside at large tournaments, whereas efficient control can only be exercised by those who know conditions intimately from the 'inside.' The sport as it affects boxers is still steeped in injustice and corruption."

LAWN TENNIS

NORTH OF ENGLAND TOURNEY

London, August 25.—The first of the week's five hundred matches in the North of England lawn tennis championship were played at Scarborough yesterday.

The principal attraction on the first day was the Yorkshire singles final held over from last week, and in this H. S. Burrows retained his title against J. L. Chamberlain, five times champion in past years. Chamberlain was unlucky not to get at least a set. He was clearly upset by a line decision which robbed him of the first set, and he lost the next two sets, to give Burrows a straight three sets victory.

There were plenty of early surprises in the opening rounds of the North championships. In the men's singles, where Don Butler, of Worcestershire, is defending his title against an entry representing six nationalities, Lord Pollington, ranked thirteen in the Yorkshire list, beat O. Anderson, an American performer of no mean merit, and H. Marriner, another Yorkshireman, distinguished himself by taking A. D. Russell, of Argentina, to three sets, M. D. Deloford, of Kent, reached the third round by beating H. J. Etchart, another player from the Argentine.

A notable women's singles entrant, 16-year-old Jean Nicoll, got a walk-over into the second round.

Results:—

NORTH OF ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIP

MEN'S SINGLES

First Round

W. T. Anderson beat W. A. Mathias, 6-4, 6-1.

C. A. Kemp beat B. Royds, 2-6, 9-7, 7-5.

Lord Pollington beat O. Anderson, 3-6, 6-3.

J. Darkins, w.o.

H. J. Etchart beat G. W. Filderman, 6-1, 6-2.

M. D. Deloford, w.o.

F. B. Webb, w.o.

A. J. Mottram, w.o.

D. C. Coombe, w.o.

C. M. Jones, w.o.

E. J. Filby beat R. Garnett, 6-4, 6-4.

A. D. Russell beat H. Marriner, 6-8, 6-1.

Results:—

Second Round

Lord Pollington, w.o.

Deloford beat Etchart, 6-3, 5-7, 6-2.

D. H. Slack beat J. D. Burrows, 2-6, 7-5.

Kemp beat Anderson, 7-5, 6-3.

WOMEN'S SINGLES

First Round

Miss J. Nicoll, w.o.

Miss A. P. Cardinall, w.o.

Miss P. L. F. Thomson beat Miss M. M. Bray, 6-1, 6-4.

Miss K. B. Hart-Cox, w.o.

Miss P. Hanson, w.o.

Miss R. M'Kelvie beat Miss G. F. Mathias, 6-1, 6-2.

Miss B. Clements beat Miss M. Harris, 6-0, 10-8.

Miss Nechvillova beat Miss R. Jarvis, 6-0, 10-8.

Second Round

Miss M. Lincoln beat Miss R. Garside, 6-4, 6-2.

OPEN EVENTS

MEN'S SINGLES

First Round

T. R. Miles beat C. R. Sanderson, 6-4, 6-3.

M. Evans beat I. R. Mackrell, 6-1, 6-3.

G. Crawford Pratt beat E. C. Nendrick, 6-3, 6-0.

J. E. Watson beat F. A. Dawson, 6-3, 7-5.

H. A. Burnett beat D. L. Wilkinson, 1-6, 6-1, 6-2.

Second Round

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LAWN TENNIS

BUTLER'S GOOD WIN OVER KEMP

Don Butler, the holder, virtually swept his quarter-final opponent, C. A. Kemp, the Irish internationalist, off the centre courts at the North of England Championships at Scarborough yesterday, but Deloford, of Kent, was extended by Lord Pollington before he won through to meet Butler in the semi-finals. Butler lost only two games to Kemp in the first set, but was three down in the second before he won six smashing games in a row for victory.

Deloford had a much more difficult task. Lord Pollington, son of Lord Mexborough, and chairman of the Chapel Allerton Club, has never gone far in this tourney, but this week he surprisingly beat O. Anderson, the American, and walked-over to meet Deloford. He took only four games from the Kent man in each set; it is true, but this was a distinct success for the Yorkshireman. Indeed, if Lord Pollington can maintain the marked improvement in his play he may well achieve his ambition and play for the country.

JEAN NICOLL WINS

In the women's singles, where the three outstanding matches to complete the last eight were played, Miss Jean Nicoll, the 16-years-old Harrow schoolgirl; Miss Rita Jarvis, of Middlesex; and the Bohemian Moravian, Miss Porakova, were victors.

Miss Nicoll had no difficulty in dealing with an opponent almost as young as herself, 17-years-old Miss Moore, of Cheshire. Miss Nicoll, who last year reached the semi-final of this event, lost only three games. Miss Porakova was surprised when Miss A. Cardinall saved three match points to take the second set from her, but won on superior stamina. Miss Rodway, of Birmingham, was unable to take a set from Miss Jarvis, despite a fierce second set.

Results:

NORTH OF ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

MEN'S SINGLES

Third Round

D. W. Butler beat C. A. Kemp, 6-2, 6-4.

M. D. Deloford beat Lord Pollington, 6-4.

WOMEN'S SINGLES

Second Round

Miss J. Nicoll beat Miss L. Moore, 6-2, 6-1.

Miss Porakova beat Miss A. P. Cardinall, 7-5, 6-2.

Miss T. R. Jarvis beat Miss B. Rodway, 6-2, 10-8.

MEN'S DOUBLES

Second Round

T. D. Polly and J. B. Griffiths, walk-over.

D. W. Butler and D. C. Coombe beat D. Beestall and S. P. Pattinson, 6-1, 6-0.

E. J. Filby and A. J. Mottram beat B. Royds and F. B. Webb, 6-4, 6-4.

C. M. Jones and M. D. Deloford beat C. R. Sanderson and Major W. E. Dowling, 6-0, 6-1.

Third Round

W. T. Anderson and O. Anderson beat J. D. Burrows and C. W. Banks, 6-2, 6-1.

R. D. Roper beat E. A. Walker, 3-6, 6-1, 6-1.

A. B. Clark beat E. P. Wallis, 1-6, 6-4, 6-4.

J. N. Campain beat T. F. Robinson, 6-1, 6-1.

T. H. Jackson beat T. D. Polley, 4-6, 6-1, 7-5.

Second Round

T. K. N. Wilson beat T. N. Neville, 6-3, 6-0.

WOMEN'S SINGLES

First Round

Miss P. Bristow beat Miss J. C. Manks, 7-5, 11-9.

Mrs. N. Dixon beat Miss M. E. Spence, 6-2, 6-3.

Miss P. Royds beat Miss B. A. White, 6-7, 6-3, 8-6.

Miss B. M. Burrows beat Miss P. Bum- pus, 6-3, 6-4.

Miss E. M. Malagay beat Miss N. Ness, 2-6, 6-4, 6-3.

Miss A. D. Duthie beat Miss M. J. Wilson, 6-2, 6-4.

Second Round

Miss A. Crowther beat Miss F. Marham, 6-1, 6-2.

Miss P. Macdonald beat Miss B. S. Barnby, 6-1, 6-2.

Miss J. Mackenzie beat Miss P. Malone, 6-1, 6-1.

Miss E. Bacon beat Miss S. M. Knowles, 6-1, 6-3.

Mrs. Dixon beat Miss K. Griffiths, 6-0,

LAWN TENNIS

IS THE MODERN TENNIS
BALL TOO "WOOLLY"?

The Qualification Of Line Umpires

LONDON, AUGUST 19.—While the American season is developing and holiday tournaments are running their course, let us leave competitive tennis behind and consider some other aspects of the game for a chance, writes our Home correspondent.

Directly after Wimbledon was over Bunny Austin returned to America to resume his moral rearmament campaign which seems to be creating considerable interest over there, judging by the crowded meetings he is addressing.

Austin is now in California, that home of tennis, and in between his efforts to make the world a better place by uniting the sportsmen of all countries, he has found time to play a little tennis and to send home some of his musings on the game.

Firstly, Austin has come to the conclusion that it is our uncertain climate which must be chiefly blamed for our indifferent tennis, and especially for our poor serving, which has admittedly always been a weakness of home players. He points to the wonderful climate of California where tennis can be played all the year round and where stiff muscles and creaking joints are unknown. What a contrast to Britain, says Austin, where several sweaters and many games are required before we loosen up. To illustrate his point about serving, Austin mentions Vines, Budge and Stoefen, who all learnt their tennis in California, as being at the moment the three best servers in the world. He does not believe they could have developed such graceful, effortless actions if they had started over here.

CLIMATIC HANDICAP

There is certainly truth in what Austin says and I have frequently mentioned the British climate as being our chief handicap and one of the reasons why our representatives, with such a comparatively brief period for outside play, so often fail at Wimbledon when facing Americans and Australians. The answer, I suppose, is covered courts, and then more covered courts for play during the long winter months. Climate, however, cannot be everything or South Africa would have produced more outstanding players than she has. I can only think of four—Norton, Raymond, Winslow, and Farquharson—and none of these was a superman.

The key to a good service is, of course, the sideways stance, employing much the same action as one would use for throwing. An uncheck ed swing, starting slowly and gaining momentum as the racket is brought up behind the head, when there should be a slight pause prior to striking the blow, is another essential of good serving. Also remember to watch the ball throughout the stroke and never to look away to the opposite court.

BOUNCE OF THE BALL

Austin's comments on the ball question, which have been brought home to him by the better playing qualities of the American ball when compared

with our own, are most illuminating. It has suddenly dawned on him that he has not played his favourite shot for five years—which he puts down to the fact that the modern ball in this country no longer bounces high enough for him to make it. Ten years or so ago, Austin says, the average bound of the ball was waist high, while to-day it is often scarcely knee high. Austin's pet shot, by the way was a sweeping forehand drive played from left to right, which used to "fade away" into his opponent's backhand corner. We all remember this famous shot and how he used to score repeatedly with it when he was winning that opening Davis Cup match, which he seemed always fated to play, during our successful tenure of the cup. Austin certainly did not play this shot during his match against Cooke at this year's Wimbledon, but I fancy this was due more to lack of practice than to the modern ball.

At the same time the modern ball now used in this country and also in Australia, South Africa, and India, where it is of the same type, leaves much to be desired and is not over popular with the players. I am, of course, not referring to any particular make of ball but to those makes authorised by our L.T.A., which all have to pass the same test for bounce and compression.

The chief trouble with the tennis ball of to-day is that it is blown up too hard and its Melton cover has become much too rough, in simple language, "woolly." In America they call this latter attribute "fuzz." At the recent Seabright tournament a petition was actually signed by all the leading players there, asking for grass court balls with a smoother cover to be given a trial. To illustrate their point, after the woolly ball had been battered about on wet courts, players were grasping them by the "fuzz" and holding them suspended in the air.

DURABLE BUT UNRESPONSIVE
The fuzzy, hard blown ball certainly last much better than the smoother one with more compression, and is therefore appreciated by the ordinary player, but many contend that it is not so suitable for tournament play. This is because it is harsh and unresponsive on the racket and it is difficult to control and drive. This seems to suggest that there should be two types of ball on the market, one for the tournament players—with the smoother cover

YACHTING

SEAWANHAKA
CUP CONTEST

London, To-day. The Secretary of the Football League states that all football is suspended. Players' contracts are automatically cancelled.—Reuter.

and one on the lines of the present ball—hard and woolly—for the ordinary player because of its durability.

Some of our manufacturers have lately been experimenting with balls covered with a smoother Melton, and after trying some samples I must confess they seemed a good deal faster and more resilient, which should lead to brighter play.

In considering balls we must not forget that their behaviour is very much affected by climate and surface. The whole idea of altering our excellent ball of a few years back was to bring it more into line with the American ball, which has always been easier to hit owing to its extra compression and bound. Chiefly because of the great difference in climate this laudable object has never been accomplished. The best ball ever introduced by a British maker was grooved like a golf ball, but unfortunately the I. F. turned it down for official use.

LINESMEN'S MISTAKES

Besides the ball question there has been much talk lately about line umpires, and that keen critic, Sir Norman Bennett, considers that too many mistakes were made by linesmen at this year's Wimbledon. Sir Norman believes that the cause of the trouble is the use of middle-aged line judges. Anyone over 45, he says, cannot be expected to identify the exact striking point of an object moving as fast as a tennis ball. He suggests as an alternative that Boy Scouts or Girl Guides would make the best line judges, but I am afraid few of us would agree with this.

As H. A. Furber, the honorary secretary of that useful body, the Umpires' Association, says, to make a good umpire a lot more than good eyesight is required. These qualities are concentration, lack of nervousness, a certain peculiar co-ordination between eyesight and brain, a faculty for rapid decision without hastiness, and, most important of all, practice and experience. I should like heartily to endorse this view.

On the whole, the lining at Wimbledon year after year is fairly good. Mistakes, of course, do occur, and these are generally caused through linesmen watching the match and not glueing their eye on their particular line. Then, again, these officials are inclined to call before the ball has actually bounced, a thing they should never do. Apropos of this, rather a serious mistake occurred at Wimbledon during the first set of Miss Stammers' brilliant match with Mrs. Fabyan. At quite a critical moment after a long rally Mrs. Fabyan hit the ball out, but instead of touching the ground it first grazed Miss Stammers' foot, and she standing well back out of court. Before this happened, however, the linesman had called "out" and Mrs. Fabyan rightly lost a valuable point, which in the ordinary course of events would have been hers. The linesman's decision had to stand as it had been given before the ball had hit Miss Stammers' foot.

While on the subject of line umpires, I think their practice of leaving their chairs in order not to become "unsighted" during a match when on a sideline is definitely bad. It must be most disconcerting for those on court to have these officials walking about

Rothesay, August 22.—Sailing conditions on the Clyde to-day were worse than on any day since the Seawan haka Cup contest started, and racing was abandoned without the yachts ever hoisting canvas.

At the scheduled starting time at 1.30 the Firth was without the slightest ripple, and not a breath of air was stirring. The flagship Ocean Rover remained at her usual station off Toward Point till after four o'clock and, as there was still no sign of a breeze filling in, the abandonment signal was hoisted.

Although no racing had been possible, it was learned to-night that the officials had not been idle. The advisability of cancelling the contest in view of the international situation was discussed at length at a conference of owners and Royal Northern representatives on board Ocean Rover. The position, of course, particularly affects the Norwegian visitors, who are faced with a sea voyage before reaching their homes.

Before they left Hunter's Quay in the morning for the usual muster at Toward Point, it was suggested that it might be considered whether they should not at once ship Noreg, and themselves return across the North Sea. The conference, however, after discussing all possibilities, decided to continue the races in the hope of a speedy conclusion.

CIRCE'S GRIEVANCE

Arising out of yesterday's race, in which Circe lost by a single second, Mr. J. H. Thom, owner of the defender, maintains that the result would have been different had the rules regulating the contest been strictly observed. One of the these rules lays down:

"In a triangular race the finishing line will be crossed with the flag boat or mark-buoy on the same as were the turning marks, the flag boat or mark-buoy being moved after the start, so that the finished line is approximately square to the last leg of the course."

In yesterday's race the mark-buoy had to be taken on starboard, and this involved rounding the mark, instead of permitting a finish straight through the line, Mr. Thom alleges that as Circe was leading boat, she would have won the race, and kept the cup in the Clyde had the mark not been in a position which involved rounding it to pass on starboard. Of course, both boats circled the mark, but Circe had to give right of way to Noreg, and the advantage of the inside turn gave the challenger the race.

Mr. Thom does not claim the race, nor is he lodging a protest, but while aboard Ocean Rover to-day it is understood he voiced his grievance. His contention was that he had to pay for his mistakes, and that if a mistake was made by those in charge of a race they should be held responsible.

Circe and Noreg now stand equal in the contest, each having two wins to their credit. This requires a fifth and deciding race, over a windward and leeward course. Another attempt to bring off this race will be made tomorrow.

behind them and craning their necks once the rally has started. Granted such action is necessary occasionally, it is becoming much too frequent in big matches.

DRINK
EWO
PILSNER
the new
LIGHT SUMMER BREW



This amazing picture taken from below water, shows Miss Denise Newman, famous 15-year-old swimmer and diver, practising at Wembley Pool in readiness for the England v Denmark Diving and Swimming contest. (Copy, right, Fox, by Air Mail).

ENGLAND'S VICTORY OVER DENMARK

London, August 22.—After being level at four-all on the first half, England beat Denmark by nine events to seven in their international swimming match at the Empire Pool, Wembley, last night.

Miss Ragnhild Hveger, the Danish girl who holds fourteen world records, won three races during the contest, as well as helping her country to win the women's relay.

L. P. James, swimming for his country for the first time, led J. Christiansen all the way in the 100 metres backstroke to win by four yards. In the men's springboard diving, C. Johnson, also making his debut as an international, beat T. Christiansen.

Miss Doris Storey gained one of the most exciting victories when she won by a touch from Inge Sorensen in the 200 metres breast stroke. Details—

Highboard Diving (Women)—Betty Slade (England) beat Inge Beeken by 38.97 points to 36.71 points.

100 Metres Free Style (Men)—F. Dove (England) beat P. Petersen by a yard in 62 secs.

400 Metres Free Style (Women)—Ragnhild Hveger (Denmark) beat

Doreen Hutton by 50 yards in 5 mins 12 3-5 secs.

1500 Metres Free Style (Men)—J. Wulff (Denmark) beat Norman Wainwright by 50 yards in 21 mins 5 4-5 secs.

Women's Relay—Denmark beat England by 15 yards in 4 mins 38 1-5 secs.

100 Metres Back Stroke (Men)—L. P. James (England) beat J. Christiansen by 4 yards in 1 min. 15-3-5ths secs.

200 Metres Breast Stroke (Women)—Miss Doris Storey (England) beat

Miss Inge Sorensen by a touch in 3 mins 2-5ths secs.

Springboard Diving (Men)—C. Johnson (England) beat T. Christiansen by 136.01 points to 129.45 points.

WINDSOR LAD MAY MAKE COMPLETE RECOVERY

There is every hope that Windsor Lad, Mr. Martin Benson's £50,000 stallion, whose head was twice operated on, will make a complete recovery. The horse has made such good progress since the last operation was performed on him early this year that it is thought that he may be able to resume stud duties next season.—Our Own Correspondent.

SPORTS PARADE

To the observer a career in first-class tennis seems an idyllic life. Apart from the rigour of the game, which is no dreadful hardship, a tennis career can be socially and financially paradisiacal. You may follow the sun round the globe and—as usually happens to a Wightman Cup team—wind up a tour with such tit-bits as taking tea with film stars in delightful California. Even when you are merely following the rain round the British seaside tournaments, the social life is wonderful, and may culminate, as happened quite recently to Miss Stammers, in an invitation to a Royal garden party. Expenses are paid, hospitality is lavished. Perry revealed in his book that as an amateur he lived at the rate of £4000 a year, owing to the hospitality given him in his globe-trotting pursuit of glory. One of the Americans at Wimbledon told the Press that the normal expenses grant to stars for the trip of a few weeks was £200 plus a first-class ticket for the return voyage.

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YES, but this doesn't last. What about the wasted years when one might have been earning a livelihood or learning a business? Well, here, too, tennis offers exceptionally pleasant chances. In journalism, for example. This usually requires an arduous apprenticeship. Tennis fame, however, has begot many a lucrative commission from a newspaper, without any inquiries as to experience. If stars are interested and apt enough, they can settle into writing when they lay by their rackets. Women can become sports clothes designers; men and women can get jobs with manufacturers of sports equipment. Some may turn professional. Perry, in his first year as a paid player, is reported to have earned £20,000. All told, the observer would not think there was any other career that could so fittingly be called idyllic. Now, the foregoing is to introduce—with tongue prominently in cheek—the fact that the players are getting very discontented. They are voicing grumbles, even more loudly, about expenses, travelling arrangements, team selection, and the little say they have generally in governing the game.

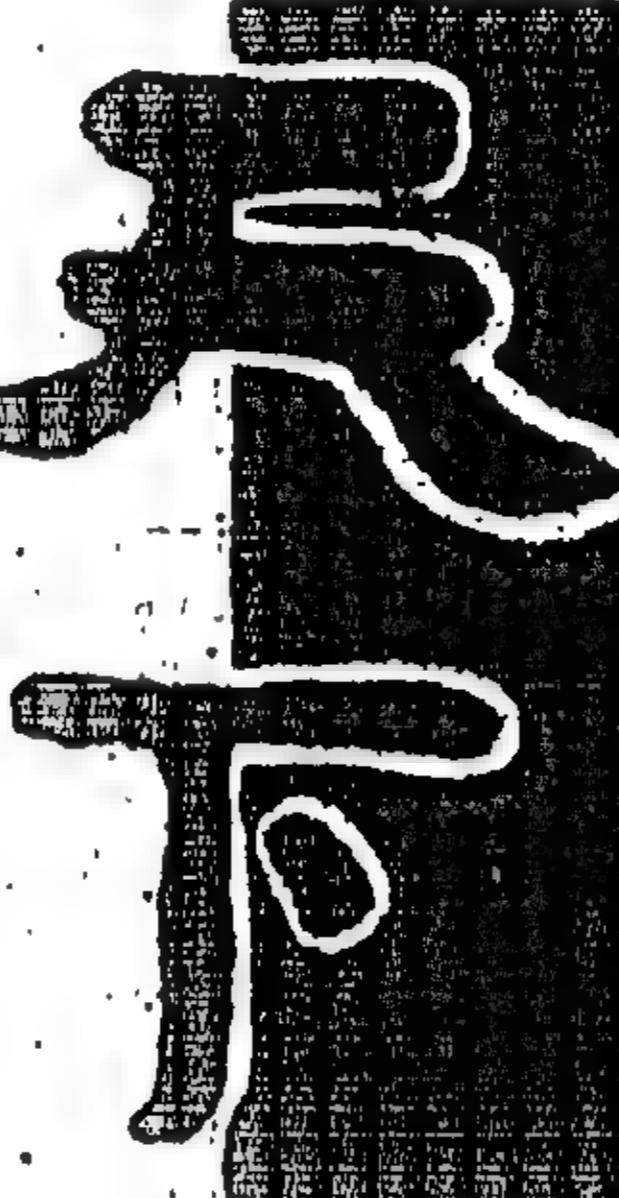
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YOU may recall that last year two players were co-opted by the authorities as advisers to the L.T.A. selectors. They were E. R. Avery and H. G. N. Lee. Soon they complained that they were snubbed, and resigned. Now Nigel Sharpe and H. F. David have taken their places, but it is understood they may soon follow suit and quit. Under discussion among prominent players is a project to form a sort of players' union, which will demand the same sort of say in things as does a trade union. If need be, the members will strike against appearing at Wimbledon. Now consider the other side of the dispute—the L.T.A.'s side. Nearly all governing boards in sport are faced with periodic rebellion. I know of none less likely to give way—or climb down, as it may be—than the somewhat snooty rulers of tennis. They are rather elderly, rather die-hard, very autocratic. They lack vision. For years they buried their heads in the sand rather than look for evidences of "shameurism." Given the rampant spirit of the players at present, and the eternally die-hard spirit of the rulers, it seems that there are vicissitudes ahead. In the months to come we are likely to see much soiled linen prominently displayed. To the observer this is foolish and deplorable. Foolish, because one cannot seriously feel that the troubles are aught but gnaw-bites in the Garden of Eden. Deplorable, because it will hold back the full development of tennis as a national and international recreation.

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BOYS' GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP**K.G. Thom's Big Win In David And Goliath Match**
*Another Hole In One At Carnoustie Course***CONTINENTAL CHALLENGE ELIMINATED**

CARNOUSTIE, AUGUST 24.—With the third round matches now completed in the Boys' Championship on the famous course here, which has bred golfers who have pioneered the game in all parts of the globe, we are still entering the names of the favourite challengers in the winning column.

It need hardly be added that in the main these players belong to the older and bigger element in the event, which progressed to-day in a sunny calm, into which every now and again, however, there came bits of London news about the European crisis.

But the youngsters were, naturally, more concerned with the job on hand here—in other words, with the hit that Hitler—though some of the younger ones, who have yet to learn the 100 per cent. value of concentration, could not help lifting their heads to have a look at the aeroplanes that zoomed overhead in the clear summer sky.

The pleasant little international situation in the championship brought out one interesting feature. Franz Gautier, the German boy champion, who was knocked out yesterday, caddied for J. K. Findlater, of Thornhill, with whom he has struck up a close boarding-house friendship, and, though the Scot, thus assisted, won his first match, he was afterwards well beaten by J. B. Fisher, of Barrow Grammar School.

DUTCH ENTRANT OUT

Leaving the international aspect of the championship, I should note that the last Continental left in, the Dutch boy, Paul van den Dries, was beaten to-day, after a walk-over in the second round, by Charles Lawrie, the Fettesian. Lawrie, who had a bye in the first round, and carried too many golfing guns for the lad from Holland, was out in 33, and won far out in the country.

Kenneth Thom, the big Essex boy, one of the giants among these juveniles, figured in two specially interesting matches, the first against one of the midget nippers—Wallace M'Arthur, a Carnoustie boy, and the other against R. C. Grapes, of Bushey Hall, who must be about the longest driver in the country for his age.

"SLAUGHTER OF INNOCENTS"

If the draw had been designed to point the contrasts the event produces it could have done nothing more spectacular than bring Thom and M'Arthur together. This match belongs to the "slaughter of the innocents" category. The English boy is a scratch golfer in the Thorpe Hall Club, Essex, and M'Arthur, who is only twelve, was, I think, the tiniest challenger in the field. A little over four feet tall he looked when he spoke up to his opponent, a perfect Gulliver of a youth by comparison as if he might be putting the familiar small-boy request for "cigarette photies."

I need hardly say that it was a terribly one-sided affair from the start but a large crowd of holidaymakers went round, fascinated with the automatic and knowledgeable swing of the little fellow who, if he could not compete in length, had nothing to learn about keeping the ball straight.

M'Arthur, who is the son of a local shoemaker, has indeed a swing that might well be the envy of hordes of older golfers, and to look at him you can readily understand why he immediately caught the eye of some of the well-known professionals, who were here for the Open Championship eight years ago, when he was only a tot. To-day he was accompanied by a small friend and a caddie, smaller than

himself, and as they trekked together round the course they looked like a trinity bound by an eternal friendship of the "Beau Geste" order.

CONTRAST IN POWER

After the little fellow had been outdriven by metaphorical miles by Thom at hole after hole the match reached the short eighth. "Now," whispered M'Arthur's caddie, "here's a hole you can win." And he was obviously anxious that he should win it, not that it made any difference had he done so. The hole was halved with Thom holding a lead of six, and the ninth hole, where the English boy became seven up, may be selected as an illustration of the contrast in power between the two.

Thom hit an iron from the ninth tee so far that he was able to reach the green in 2 with a No. 7 while M'Arthur, after two wooden club strokes, was home with an iron. This could never have been the little fellow's day, but I am sure that his day will come. Thom, besides conceding him a generous putt here and there, also presented his game little opponent with a "gift" when the match was over.

As the crowd came off the course there was a cheer, and spectators who gathered round completely blotted out the representative of what I may call the kindergarten section whom everybody wanted to see.

Thom had an opponent more like his own mettle in the afternoon in R. C. Grapes, who had first defeated Mark Seymour's son Donald by one hole, after losing the first two holes. Thom had the better of this surprisingly long hitter, who hits the ball, I think, rather further than the Essex player, who is himself no light smiter.

But Grapes reminded us of how profitless is long driving that knows not the fairway. The first time he played a second from the beaten track was the seventh hole. The length of this hole is 376 yards, and he was so far from the tee that a niblick was the club for his next stroke. In the duel of youthful Jehus, Thom had reached the sixth green, a hole of 521 yards, with a drive and iron.

MEETS DUDDINGSTON BOY

Grapes, who is accompanied by the Bushey Hall professional, Tom Birrell, formerly of Kinghorn, was two down with five to play. He won the fifteenth, but, just when he might have carried on the fight, he hooked himself out of the Championship from the sixteenth tee. Thom, who has been a Champion from the start, now meets J. Buglass, the Duddingston boy, who had an excellent victory this afternoon by 6 and 4.

Tom Fernie, the Lytham and St. Anne's professional's son, was beaten in a tight match, in which he made the fatal mistake of being down for the first time at the eighteenth hole, but R. F. Law, the Spalding professional's son, won this afternoon for the third time without having to play the eighteenth hole. Law was out in 36 against Currie Macbeth in the morning, and in

35 against Hope, of Glencorse, this afternoon, for two convincing wins.

The Glencorse hope for the title, J. Stewart, who was runner-up two years ago, won through however, by beating James Bruen's protege, W. S. McMullan, and Oliver Wynn, the Scottish captain, also passed into the fourth round, though he did not have to turn out his full parade golf.

Döig, the Monifieth discovery, who was a new Scottish "cap" on Monday, had a good win against the English representative Barlow, the Etonian, who was definitely outplayed. Döig was out in 36 and five up, and he never relented by a moment, but did the next three holes in 4 4 4. Joe Carr, the Irish boy, was hard pushed by Turner, of Cornwall, after bombarding his opponent at the first four holes with 4 3 3 4 for a lead of four holes.

WON AT 24TH HOLE

At one time it looked as if we might have to send out a search party for I. C. L. Black, the Aberdeen boy, and Harry Smith, of Banchory. They just disappeared from the scene, and it was discovered that they were fighting it out to the twenty-fourth hole. They hit stroke for stroke all through the extra holes until Smith hooked out of bounds at the long sixth, when they teed up there for the second time in their marathon duel.

There was another hole in one to-day, again the eighth, done this time by St. Claire, of Lenzie. The ball, from the tee, leant against the flagstick, and

LEAGUE BOWLS**CRAIGENGOWER WIN EASILY**

The postponed match in the First Division of the Lawn Bowls League between Craigengower Cricket Club and Indian Recreation Club, was played off yesterday on the Craigengower green when the home team scored an easy win over the Indians by 85 shots to 46.

C.C.C.	I.R.C.	17
W. Hong Sling	J. Hoosen	
K. M. Omar	S. M. Rumjahn	
J. S. Landolt	A. R. Minu	
U. M. Omar	A. K. Minu	
(Skip)	25 (Skip)	
J. W. Leonard	A. M. Rumjahn	
L. C. R. Souza	A. M. Wahab	
A. E. Coates	D. M. Khan	
B. W. Bradbury	A. R. Dallha	
(Skip)	36 (Skip)	14
A. A. Razack	Y. A. Razack	
W. Ward	A. Bakar	
A. M. Omar	M. Y. Adal	
R. Basa	M. R. Abbas	
(Skip)	24 (Skip)	15
Totals	85	46

dropped in when it was removed. But this hole in one seems no help. Like the previous performer, St. Claire lost his match.

"NEWS-CHRONICLE" TOURNEY**MAGNIFICENT RECORD ROUND BY ALFRED PADGHAM**

LONDON, AUGUST 18.—A magnificent record round of 65 on the East Brighton course yesterday enabled Alfred Padgham to deliver a strong challenge to S. L. King in the "News-Chronicle" £1,000 Professional Golf Tournament and prevent the Sevenoaks assistant from having practically a winning advantage at the half-way stage.

King, who had a second round of 67—beating the record of 68 which he and three other players achieved on Wednesday—held an advantage of six shots over the rest of the field until Padgham, followed by a large and excited crowd, completed his tremendous score, which is one of the lowest ever made in a first-class tournament in Great Britain.

Padgham holed from four yards for a three at the twelfth, and from a yard got a "birdie" 3 at the thirteenth. He might easily have dropped more than one stroke over the last three holes but, after taking three putts from the edge of the sixteenth green he holed from five yards for his 4 at the seventeenth, following an over-strong second shot, and got his 4 at the home hole. His card read:

Out—3 3 4 2 3 5 4 4 4—32
In—2 4 3 3 4 4 4 4—32—64

Fifty-one players who had scores of 149 or better qualified for the final 36 holes. One player who was on the 149 mark was Richard Burton, the Open champion, who had to get down a putt of four yards on the last green in order to prevent himself from being eliminated.

QUALIFIERS

S. L. King (Knole Park)	60	67—133
A. H. Padgham (Sundridge Park)	72	64—133
R. A. Whitcombe (Parkstone)	69	72—141
W. J. Cox (Wimbledon Park)	70	71—141
M. Faulkner (unattached)	69	73—143
P. Alliss (Ferndown)	70	73—143
C. Graham (Llandrindod)	69	73—143
E. F. Hill (unattached)	73	74—144
W. Spence (Middleton Park)	71	73—144
N. Sutton (Lodge)	71	74—145
J. Palmer (unattached)	70	74—146
D. A. Hulme (unattached)	70	74—146
C. A. Laidlow (unattached)	70	74—146
J. Palmer (unattached)	70	74—146
C. A. Whittome (unattached)	70	74—146
A. A. Easterbrook (Knowle)	70	74—146

By this time, however, 66 was

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1.15 p.m.—Dance Music.
Fox-Trots—Goodbye, Little Dream, Goodbye (Cole Porter); When A Woman Smiles (Ellis) Jack Hylton & His Orchestra.
Waltz — The Waltz In Swing Time (Kern) Johnny Green & His Orchestra.
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10.20 p.m.—Dance Music.

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Sweethearts — Waltz (Herbert); Quickstep—Where Is Our Bluebird of Melody Lane (Noel) Victor Silvester & His Orchestra.

Swing Fox-Trots—Hot Lips (Davis); Ain't Misbehaving (Waller) Quintette of the Hot Club of France.

Tangos—Por Que? (Sresedo); Crepescule (Codevilla) Geraldo & His Gaucho Tango Orchestra.

Fox-Trots—Me and My Girl (Gay); Lambeth Walk (Gay) Ronnie Munro & His Orchestra.

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♥ Q 6 2
♦ 9 6 5 3
♣ A Q J
♦ K Q 3
♥ K J 9 8
♦ K J 10
♣ 5 4 2

N A J 9 8
8 2
7 5 4
—
10 9 7 3

♦ 5
♥ A 10 3
♦ A Q 8 7 4 2
♣ K 8 6

The bidding:
South West North East
10 10 20 24
30 34 Pass Pass
40 Dbl. Pass Pass
Pass

That one slight slip on defence can prove fatal is demonstrated in to-day's hand. Against four diamonds doubled, West opened the spade King, which held the trick.

While this play might seem innocuous, the fatal slip had already been made! East should have overtaken with his spade Ace and returned a heart. As it was, South trumped the second spade, led a club to dummy, then trumped the remaining spade. Declarer next played two more rounds of clubs, then led a diamond from dummy and when East showed out, played low, allowing West to win the trick with the ten. West was now forced to lead a heart, which Declarer easily captured with his ten-spot. Now South played the Ace and another diamond, and West was then forced to

lead hearts once more, so that, strange as it seems, Declarer lost no heart tricks.

South had executed a double end-play which could have been frustrated if East had made the proper play to the first trick.

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Yesterday, with both sides vulnerable, you were Merwin Maier's partner and held:

♦ K Q 10 x x
♥ A x x
♦ A x x
♣ x x

The bidding:
Burnstone Maier Schenken You
Pass Pass 1NT (?)

ANSWER: Pass. At best you can only hope to make a partial score against an opening notrump bid. At worst a two-spade overcall may be doubled. A double is unsound.

Score 100% for pass; 40% for double, 20% for two spades.

QUESTION NO. 197

Howard Schenken is your partner. You hold:

♦ K J x
♥ Q 10 x
♦ A K x x
♣ A x x

The bidding:
Schenken Jacoby You Burnstone
Pass Pass (?)

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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VICTORY AND VICTORY

The Franco-British policy of rapprochement with the United States and Russia, apart from political considerations, is fully justified from a military standpoint. The war industries of these two countries are out of the reach of an enemy air fleet. The air blockade of a long coastline failed in Spain. So long as the democracies of western Europe are supplied with planes from one of these countries, they need not fear a quantitative inferiority in the air even in time of war. This is why Germany and Italy are trying to gain a footing in South America, where they hope to create an industry outside the range of an enemy air fleet. Will they succeed in thus competing with the geographical and political advantages of the democracies?

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'ARTILLERY' FIRE ON BORDER

Rumours were current this morning to the effect that heavy military operations were in progress on the Chinese side of the border during the early part of yesterday evening.

It is reported that heavy explosions, believed to be artillery fire, were heard shortly after 7 p.m. at Lokmachau and Sheung Shui.

Official quarters, however, incline to the opinion that sharp claps of thunder were responsible, as it is not thought possible that the Japanese operating across the border have guns of a calibre large enough to have caused the detonations which were heard.

CZECHS TO FORM A LEGION

(From Our Own Correspondent)
(Telegraphic Communication
Ordinance, Received 12.00 p.m.)

Shanghai, To-day.

Havas Agency reports from Warsaw that a Czech Legion has been created in Poland.

The Legion consists of Czech and Slovak volunteers and Poles whose origin is in these countries.

The Legion is under the control of the Polish Army but is to retain its own national character.

General Prchala, former Prague leader exiled to Poland, has already

WESTERN FRONT NOW IN ACTION

London, To-day. An official war communiqué issued in Paris says that contacts have been progressively made on the front.

The navy has taken up positions and the aerial forces "are proceeding with the necessary reconnaissance." — Reuter.

HAVOC OF TIENSIN'S FLOODS

Chungking, To-day. The flood situation in Tientsin is still serious, according to a Tientsin report.

In some parts of the Japanese Concession, the water is about ten feet deep while the greater part of the British and French Concessions is lying under from two to six feet of water.

Fur uniforms and other winter equipment in the Japanese army depot at Haikwangssu in the Japanese Concession have been ruined as have barrels of sugar, fertilizers and chemicals in the godown of the Japanese-operated Hsing Chung Company in the Third Special Administrative District.

A Japanese chemical works at Palital in the outskirts is submerged. Only the chimney is above water. — Central News.

commenced recruiting for the Legion. — Our Own Correspondent.

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